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No. 14/38

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Tientsin, April 12, 1938. 14196

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To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1937, to declare a Final Dividend, to elect a Director and Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

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To-day's Events

APRIL

27 Den Danske Læseforening i Shai, Aarlige Generalforsamling, Palace Hot., 6

Coming Events

APRIL

28 B.W.A. Variety Tea and Ent'ment, 4
28 B.U.S.C., ann. din. dance, Park Hot., 8
28 Det Norske Samfgun i Kina medlemsmte med middag i Cercle Sportif Francais, kl. 8
28 K. Orlovskaya's gala perform., "A Little Dutch Girl," Lt. Opera, Lyceum, 8.30
29 A.W.C., 3 One-Act Plays, 8.30
29 Signals Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dinner Dance, S.V.C. Club, 8
29 Abbot Chao Kung's Lecture, Mystery of Life, Brit. Masonic Hall
29 Caldbeck's ann. gen. mtg., 11.30
30 Amer. Comm.'s Bon Voyage Lunch. to Con.-Gen. C. E. Gauss, Col. Club, 1
30 "A Little Dutch Girl," Lt. Op., Lyc. 8.30

MAY

1 "A Little Dutch Girl," Lt. Op., Lyc. 8.30
1 S.M. Orchestra Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
2 Engineering Society mtg., 5.15
3 A.W.C. Classical Piano Recital, 4.45
4 Abott Chao Kung's Lecture, Mystery of the Self, Brit. Masonic Hall.
5 Theosophical Society open mtg. 153 Nanking Road, public invited, 6
5 Scan. W. A., general mtg., C.S.F., 4
6 Mansonic Ball, Cercle Sport. Franc. 9.30
6 German A.D.C., "Der Geheimvertrag," Lyceum, 9
6 A.W.C. Charity Ball, for School for Russian Children, 8
6 "Dido and Aeneas," etc., Collège Municipal Français, 11 Vallon, 9
6 Soc. Chart. Accts. in China, ann. din., 8
7 "Dido and Aeneas," 5 and 9
14 Prof B. Zakharoff's annual pupils' piano recital, A.W.C., 4
15 Spring Flower Show, Masonic Hall, 1623 Avenue Road, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
16 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
17 Syttendemaifest i Cercle Sportif Francais, kl. 8
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Snake Myth:
A Countryman's Experience

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I think it extremely unkind of MR. A. DE C. SOWERBY to use the term "ignorant country folk" in his letter headed "The Snake Myth."

Writing as one of them, I do not consider that the so-called "country folk" are as ignorant as they are sometimes assumed to be by the educated or town folk. It is perhaps true that they are not able to express their thoughts and ideas as glibly as the educated, but this does not necessarily mean that they are ignorant.

Nature is to a great extent shy and silent and the average countryman, living as he does in close communion with nature, is likewise somewhat shy and silent, but generally speaking, his powers of observation are much more keen than those of the town-dweller, and he takes for granted the phenomena of nature which he sees around him and expresses little surprise at nature's wonders and peculiarities; but because of his inability to express himself clearly his observations on any particular phenomenon are often treated lightly by the so-called more intelligent folk.

Being myself one of the ignorant country folk, I do not expect to find the facts which I relate below taken very seriously, but as a matter of interest in connection with "The Snake Myth," I will set them down to be taken seriously or otherwise as your readers may think fit.

My boyhood days were spent in the country on the Surrey and Sussex borders, and going home from school one afternoon about thirty-seven years ago (I was then about twelve years old) I came across a viper sunning itself on a bare patch of earth amongst the grass. I was able to watch it for perhaps five seconds before it became aware of my presence and then it suddenly made a slight noise, something between a squeak and a hiss, at which almost like lightning five tiny snakes came from the surrounding grass and disappeared into the opened mouth of the parent snake which immediately made off into the long grass.

I thought nothing of it at the time, taking it for granted that it was just another of Mother Nature's wonders and accepted it as such. It did not occur to me that I had been privileged to witness something which might be almost unbelievable to most people and it is only during the past few years when from time to time the matter of snakes swallowing their young has cropped up in the papers, that the incident has returned to my mind, and as far as I can recall this is the first time that I have mentioned the matter to anyone.

With regard to the length of time it takes a snake to die, being a non-believer in any kind of killing I have never killed a snake, but I have seen snakes that have been killed and I do think that the body of a "dead" snake retains some power of movement when touched until it is completely cold. This would account to some extent for the belief that snakes do not finally die until sun-down.

Snakes are usually found and killed in sunny places and if left where they are killed warmth remains in their bodies till the cool of the evening sets in, and during this period spasmodic movements may be observed. Being neither a naturalist nor a medical man I cannot account for this, but I have noticed this power of movement in the body of a snake for as long as three hours after the head has been almost severed from the body.

Many country folk have by personal observation obtained a very real knowledge of nature which is denied to—and therefore disbelieved by town-dwellers. How many town-dwellers, or even modern type country-dwellers, have more than a laugh for the old country-man's belief that a cure for the "decline," or to give it its more modern name of consumption or tuberculosis, is for the sufferer to get up early in the morning, go to the sheep pastures before the dew has left the grass and frighten or chase the sheep, and yet there is a great deal to be said for this old-fashioned cure, as any medical man will admit, for its practice means early morning exercise in pure air slightly impregnated with ammonia fumes given off by sheep droppings; and now, Sir, I must apologize for taking up so much space and I hope that MR. DE C. SOWERBY will take this letter in the spirit that is intended, not that of argument or controversy, but in mild defence of countryfolk whose eyes often see that which their tongues have not the power to explain and who often remain silent because of their fear of ridicule from their better educated fellow beings.

I am not going to be drawn into a newspaper correspondence on the subject of snakes, for I know very little about them, and I trust you will accept this as my first and last letter in connection with "The Snake Myth."

COUNTRYMAN.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

The Pig Traffic:
Question of Culpability

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your correspondent INFORMED, whose letter appeared in the issue of the "North-China Daily News" of Monday, April 25, suggests that I am of the opinion that the shipowners are more or less entirely responsible for the unbelievably bad conditions under which pigs are brought by steamers to the Shanghai market from the small ports in the vicinity of Tungchow, apparently because I am not fully acquainted with the conditions prevailing. He then proceeds to state what those conditions are, saying that the pigs are on the steamers actually less than a day, unless the latter are delayed by fog or for some other cause.

As a matter of fact I have read all the correspondence and reports on the subject that have appeared in your and other local newspapers, and am well aware of the conditions under which pigs are collected together and transported to Shanghai from Yangtze ports. He missed the whole point of my letter in your April 21 issue, which was that if it is impossible to do anything with the Chinese dealers in live pigs for the Shanghai market it might be possible for the officials of S.S.P.C.A. to get after the shipowners or charterers for failing to provide proper accommodation and water for the wretched animals while they are on their steamers.

The fact that the pigs are starved and not given water before they are loaded on to the steamers is no excuse for not giving them at least water while they are on board during the twelve hours between the Yangtze port and Shanghai. Were this done it is certain that many more would survive the journey than do at present. One would have thought that common humanity would have prompted the ships' masters to insist on the pigs being given at least this amount of relief, even if they can do nothing about the way they are treated before coming under their care. I have always understood that a captain's word is law on his ship.

Presumably the shipping company or companies engaged in this traffic are making good money out of it, which being the case it is difficult to comprehend how they can fail to do everything in their power to reduce the sufferings of the unfortunate pigs as far as possible.

The point is, are the pigs given water while on the steamers and is the accommodation provided for them what it should be? If the shipowners can answer these questions in the affirmative, then one would feel that they are doing all that can reasonably be expected of them. If they cannot, then the shipowners are just as culpable as are the dealers, and should be dealt with accordingly, that is, if there is any way of dealing with them.

ARTHUR DE C. SOWERBY.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

Amusement Centre:
Protest from Av. Haig

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I would very much appreciate your kindness in publishing this letter as it concerns not only myself and family but many families in the neighbourhood of Route Boissezon, Avenue Haig and Route Ferguson.

I understand that the French Municipal Council has granted a license to Chinese interests to open up the old Majestic Gardens site on Avenue Haig, between Route Boissezon and Route Ferguson, to be run as an amusement centre. I believe they intend having a swimming pool, dance hall and roller skating rink. An advertisement has already appeared in Chinese papers for Chinese dancing partners. This alone would indicate that the place is to be run more or less as a cheap cabaret.

This location, in my opinion, is one of the best residential districts in the French Concession and it seems a shame that the French Municipal Council would issue a license for a Dance Hall, Swimming Pool and Roller Skating Rink in such a nice residential district.

My home is situated overlooking the Gardens and within about 50 feet of where the roller skating rink will be located. You can readily understand how impossible it will be for my family, and neighbours as well, to get their required rest.

Several years ago, a Dance Hall was opened on the same site and the French Municipal Council held up the license for some time due to the fact that the residents in this neighbourhood objected strenuously to this class of joint being opened among them. Something should certainly be done this time to prevent a similar occurrence as it will cheapen the value of property within hearing distance of the Gardens as well as prevent a great number of people from enjoying their earned rest.

A NEAR RESIDENT.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

New Engineeering Prefs:
Other Side of the Picture

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—MOTHER OF SIX shows the same easy-going attitude to facts and figures as she does to family affairs.

It is untrue to say that "In making the offer the directors state that this is a very favourable opportunity for preference shareholders to convert their shares.

It is also untrue to say that "they (the directors) suggest that, in the near future, the profits of the commany will be so large that the ordinary shares will be more valuable than the preference."

It is also untrue—though here the happy-go-lucky parent may be excused, as she relies on an authoritative share report—to suggest that preference shares can be sold at $5.30 and ordinary shares bought at $4. It is impossible to sell preference and buy ordinary at a difference of even one dollar and fifteen cents. Brokerage on the two transactions would be ten cents, and, having regard to the company's offer, a profit of five cents could be made by the potential converter if he (or she) could do the double transaction at one dollar and fifteen cents difference. But he (or she) can't.

UNCLE OF THREE.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

The Austrian Coup:
Baron Rothschild's Arrest

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—GERMAN-AUSTRIAN accuses Baron Rothschild for the failure of the Kredit-Anstalt a few years back. This failure, as is usual in similar cases, naturally caused great distress among various sections of the community. Whether the accusation be true or not I am not in a position to say, but I should be very reluctant to give the statement implicit credence since it is the fashion nowadays in some countries to accuse the Jews of all sorts of enormities which have no greater foundation than the malignant desire of their traducers.

But here is a historical fact of world-wide notoriety. For a few years after the Great War the German government's printing presses were turning out paper marks in such quantities that a time came when for a single shilling one could buy more marks than the whole of Germany was worth at pre-war rates. Did Germany in this confer a still unrecognized blessing on those that had accounts in marks or those who all over the world had faith in the solvency of the issuing power?

FAIR PLAY.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

BY SAPAJOU

Uncle Sam's Air Fashion Show

Japanese and Trams:
Real Cause of Complaint

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—With reference to the letter appearing in your issue of today under the above heading, is it not an attempt to sidetrack a main issue?

The trams and buses are not running in the Eastern area and that raises a larger question. Is there any reason now why the Japanese authorities should not hand back to full Shanghai Municipal control the Northern and Eastern districts without any conditions attached? At the moment the Japanese are putting a stranglehold not only on British trade, but the trade of all nationals.

FAIR PLAY.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

The First Reich:
Dr. Inge's Accuracy

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I really regret that such an article as "The First Reich" by the Very Rev. W. R. Inge D.D., has been reproduced by you. The Press should co-operate to appease the public opinion, especially nowadays. Such a "wild" (excuse this word) résumé of the history of Europe cannot lead anywhere, cannot change anything, as the utterances of Dr. Inge are not always on the right side of history. Please do not raise old thorny discussions; let us all work together to understand each other and build up an atmosphere of real human sympathy and collaboration.

HISTORY AND CHARITY.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

Landlord and Tenant:
Hostilities and a Refund

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—May I ask your learned readers to judge and express their opinion whether a tenant who paid his full rent in advance for August 1937, and was forced to abandon his flat on August 14 due to the hostilities, is entitled or not to a refund from his landlords.

The writer has applied for such a refund and was refused.

A HONGKEW RESIDENT.

Shanghai, Apr. 26.

British Envoy's Party Passes Changsha
Ambassador to Sail for Shanghai on April 29

Hankow, Apr. 26.

The train in which the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr, and his party left Hankow yesterday for Hongkong passed Changsha, capital of Hunan, at 7.10 o'clock this morning, having made the journey there uneventfully.

The ambassadorial party is travelling in a special coach attached to the Hankow-Canton train. The coach will be unhooked and linked to a Hongkong-bound train at Saichuen, where the Canton-Kowloon and Canton-Hankow railways meet.

The British Ambassador and his party, which includes Lady Kerr, will leave Hongkong for Shanghai on April 29 in the Empress of Canada.—Reuter.

Sixty Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF APRIL 27, 1878

From Tientsin:—There is no news of any importance, except that we had a nice little shower on Wednesday night, though only wetting the surface. A concert was given on Thursday evening, the 18th, in aid of the starting of an eating department for the sailors in connection with the Temperance Hall—$136 were taken.

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From Canton:—We are informed that Viceroy Lan has directed certain notices to be put up in the neighbourhood of the district ravaged by the tornado at Canton. One of these notices, affixed to the Shameen bridge, offers a reward of $1 for each corpse recovered from the débris of the houses or the waters of the river and creek. An absurd illustrated placard is being handed round the city to the effect that the tornado was caused by foreigners having shot at the tail of the "bob-tailed" dragon.

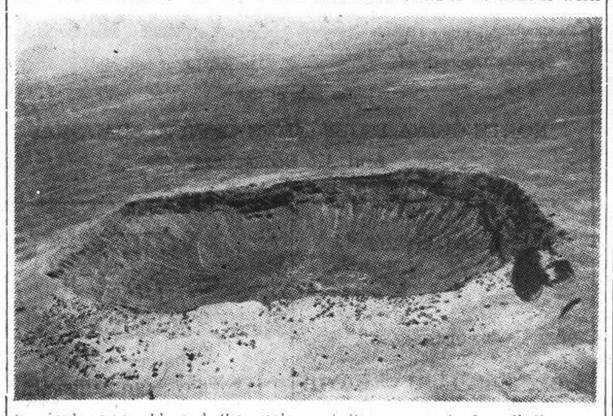
The Meteor That Just Missed Us

BY R. V. D. R. WOOLLEY IN "DISCOVERY"

Dr. Woolley is engaged on astronomical research at the Observatories of Greenwich and Cambridge. He gives an authoritative account of an event which attracted much attention early this year.

There are now known to be nine major planets in the solar system. There are also a very large number of smaller bodies, which are called minor planets. It is one of the minor planets provisionally called 1937 UB which caused a mild sensation a few months ago by making a close approach to the earth, and raising the question whether an impact between one of these bodies and our own planet may be expected to occur in the future.

Collisions with meteors of considerable size are believed to have occurred in the past. There is a well-known crater in Aizona which is attributed to the falling of an object or swarm of objects on to the earth's surface at that point. The crater is very remarkable: it is about 4000 ft. in diameter and has a rim which rises about 150 ft. above the surrounding plain. On the inside, the walls of the crater descent precipitously to a floor 600 ft. below the top of the rim. Within 5 miles of the crater, thousands of iron meteorites have been picked up, and the rocks at the bottom of the crater show signs of having been crushed, and of having been heated strongly at some time. Trees growing on the rim are estimated to be seven



hundred years old, and the geological evidence seems to point to the crater having been formed in modern times, perhaps a few thousand years ago. There are similar craters forming a group in the deserts of Australia. Very recently—in 1908—a great meteor fell in a deserted area in Siberia, the impact generating a pressure wave in the atmosphere of sufficient force to knock down the trees over an area comparable to that of an English county. Still, even if we allow for the fact that most impacts of this sort must take place in the sea and leave no trace, it is quite clear that a collision between the earth and any body sufficiently large to do considerable damage is a rare event in history. On the other hand, the damage which would be done by a meteor as large as the Siberian meteor, let alone one as large as the Arizona meteor, would be very considerable if it fell in a populated area, and catastrophic in the improbable event, even given that a fall is going to take place somewhere, that it will take place in a city.

The ordinary meteor is a small object, stony or ferrous, which is not seen until it strikes the earth's atmosphere, when the heat developed by friction makes the meteor incandescent, that is to say, a "shooting star." Nearly all of them are so small that they are entirely consumed before they reach the ground. There may or may not be a dividing line between meteors and minor planets other than that of mere size: but we may, for convenience, speak of a mass of stony or ferrous composition controlled by the sun's gravitational field as a minor planet if it has been observed by reflected sunlight and while it is outside the earth's atmosphere. Of course there is no case known to astronomical history of an impact between a minor planet, defined in this way, and the earth.

It should be possible, given a certain number of observations of a minor planet, to determine its orbit and to predict its subsequent movements for all time: but while this is possible in principle, it is usually very difficult in practice. In a very exact discussion of the movements of planetary bodies, that is to say, bodies moving under the influence of the sun and its satellites, we should have to say that planetary bodies moved according to the law of gravitation given by Einstein's theory of relativity: but in all practical applications save one (the motion of the innermost planet, Mercury) it is sufficient to say that the bodies move, within the limits of accuracy with which we can observe their motions, according to Newton's law of gravitation. Unfortunately for astronomers, Newton's law of gravitation—the inverse square law—while it affords us a solution which we can handle with neatness and dexterity to the problem of two bodies moving under their mutual gravitation, does not possess a solution to the problem of three or more bodies that has anything like the same simplicity, and the problem of three bodies has only been solved by approximate and cumbrous methods. There are, of course, far more than three gravitating bodies in the solar system: as far as the minor planets are concerned, the principal factor is of course the sun, with the major planets as disturbing influences.

Naturally the degree of disturbance depends on the closeness of any approaches to any major planet, and any minor planet which comes in so close to the sun as to menace the earth must of necessity in some circumstances pass close not only to the earth but also to Mars and possibly Venus. Its orbit may, therefore, be highly disturbed by these bodies, and if we want to work out its movements for all time we must start out with a very accurately determined path over at least one revolution round the sun. We could then work on the predicted approaches to disturbing bodies and find out a new orbit after each approach.

Unfortunately it was impossible to get a god orbit for 1937 UB. When at its closest, the little planet was of the eighth magnitude, and so too faint to be seen by the naked eye. As it moved away, of course it got fainter, and while it was close to us, its apparent motion among the stars was very great, so great that the planet was lost after a few days' following. Its orbit is so uncertain that the period has been given as one year by one computation and four years by another. It is not certain that we shall see it again, nor is it certain that if we do see it we shall be able to recognize it. It was never more than a faint speck without any features, and we can only guess its size vaguely, since we are deprived in this case of the normal method of weighing planetary bodies by gravitational disturbance. For example, Mimas, a small satellite of Saturn, has had its mass determined by its gravitational effect on the Saturn system. As Mimas is always in the Saturn system, small disturbances due to Mimas can be studied in a way which does not apply to an independent wanderer like 1937 UB, which is much smaller than Mimas. Mimas has a diameter of 370 miles and about one two-thousandth part of the mass of our moon. Now 1937 UB was of the eighth magnitude when distant 400,000 miles from the earth, while Mimas is of the twelfth magnitude (forty times as faint) when distant 800,000,000 miles. If we assume that 1937 UB has the same density and surface brightness as Mimas, its diameter must be about 1 mile and its mass about 10^{-11} times the mass of the moon, or about a thousand million tons.

There is one thing above all which lets us hope that we shall never be hit by this pygmy among planets, but super-giant among meteors. It is the theoretical suggestion that the earth must by now have swept up all the minor planets whose orbits are such that a collision is at all possible. Accordingly, objects like 1937 UB have only survived the passage of the millions of years since the formation of the solar system because there is some feature of their orbits which saves them from collision with the major planets.

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14.00 News in German (B). 'Green Fields and Pavements" (D)
14.15 Musical interlude (D)
14.20 "The Gang Smasher," 4 (D)
14.40 Shadwick String Quartet (D)
15.30 "Cards on the Table" (D)
15.50 News (D)
16.30 Sydney prog., 31.34m. (A)
17.00 Melbourne prog., 31.50m.; Perth prog., 31.28m. (A)
17.20 News, 31.34m. (A)
17.30 News in German (B)
18.45 "Music Hall" (D)
19.00 Concert (B). News (P), Varied, till 21.30 (B), till 23.00 (M)
19.45 Menges String Quartet (D)
20.00 News (B)
20.20 "Topical Gazette" (D)
20.30 News, 31.34m. (A), in French (P)
21.00 "Sweet and Lovely" (D). News in German (B). Varied, till 22.30 (T)
21.30 News (D), Symphonic concert (P)
22.00 Piano music (D), News (B)
22.10 The "Two Thousand Guineas," commentary (D)
22.20 BBC Empire Orchestra (D)
23.00 Varied, till 00.20 (B)
23.15 "Take Your Choice" (D)
24.00 News (D), (B)
00.20 Henry Hall and his Orchestra (D)
00.40 "World Affairs" (D)
06.00 Special news, 31.48m. (USA), Varied, till 08.00 (L)
06.30 Varied, till 09.00 (M)

Second Mass Wedding

Peiping, Apr. 26.

A number of couples have registered for participation in the second mass wedding to be held under the auspices of the Bureau of Social Welfare. April 30 has been set as the closing day for applications. The wedding is to be held at the Huai-jentang, inside the former Presidential Palace. General Yu Chin-ho, Mayor of Peiping, will officiate at the ceremony.—Reuter.

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Japanese Warships Off Fukien

Planes from Carrier Bomb Foochow and Changchow; H. M. Consul Goes on Leave

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Amoy, Apr. 14.

Thirty seven Japanese warships are said to be lying off the coast of Fukien, including a large aeroplane carrier. Raids and reconnaissance flights are made daily from the carrier on many of the towns of the province. The two cities particularly marked out for bombing raids have been Foochow and Changchow. Three and sometimes four times a day aeroplanes drop their explosive missiles. The casualties have not been great, for it is the aerodromes of both places that have received special attention.

Yet many houses have been blown to pieces, but these, for the most part, were deserted, the inhabitants having taken themselves to the outlying villages to live there until happier times. Two weeks ago many people came to Amoy from the Changchow district and asserted with confidence that a Japanese force had landed on the coast at one of the little ports. This news did not prove to be correct. The military authorities fearing such an invasion had determined to destroy all roads and bridges lying between Chuanchow and the sea. Important bridges were mined so that they could be destroyed at a moments notice.

Raids Cause Stampede

These actions were the cause of the panic, and the stampede to Amoy. The city of Amoy itself has been quite free from airraids. Many have taken place, but all were confined to attacks on the forts and these despite huge bombs been dropped on them, are still intact. The first raids months ago, did much damage which was repaired with old rails from the derelict Changchow Railway, cement and sand. The forts now are as invulnerable as they possibly can be made. Many 500 lb. bombs failed to make much impression on them.

Two days ago the British cruiser, which had hitherto lain opposite the godown of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, moved from the inner harbour to the usual man-of-war anchorage behind Kulangsu. This, with the departure of the American cruiser to Foochow caused much anxiety and comment among the Chinese community. They feared that these changes portended an immediate attack on the city. Leaflets were said to have been dropped by one of the visiting planes this week, but a copy could not be procured and the city officials denied that this had been done.

Several hundred young men were drafted into the army in the interior amid general rejoicing.

Mayor's Good Work

Good order has been maintained here during the last few trying months and much of this has been due to the cheery face and confident demeanour of the Mayor. He has been indefatigable in civic work. He is an honorary member of the Amoy Rotary Club and was present at its last meeting held in Kulangsu when it bade farewell to Mr. F. A. Wallis, H.M. Consul, who left this week for England on leave. Mr. Wallis remarked that in all the places he had resided during his long career in China, he had never met Chinese officials so agreeable and courteous as those of Amoy and never met one who so readily understood the point of view of the "other fellow" as the Mayor of Amoy. There have been many departures of late and few new faces to take their place. Mr. Dinsdale of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire went first and left a big blank, for everyone liked him. Then followed Mr. MacIntyre of the Customs Service and the Rev. G. Lerrigo who returned to America for good. He had been honorary pastor of the Union Church for over three years, had remodelled and renovated the building past recognition. He had a good word for everyone and everything, and for over 30 years had been in South China with the Y.M.C.A.

Prosperous Hongkong

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Hongkong, Apr. 18.

Hongkong today is the political and financial centre of China, although it is a British Crown Colony. Every Ministry of the National Government has a bureau here and there is a sharp increase in the number of foreign firms in this port.

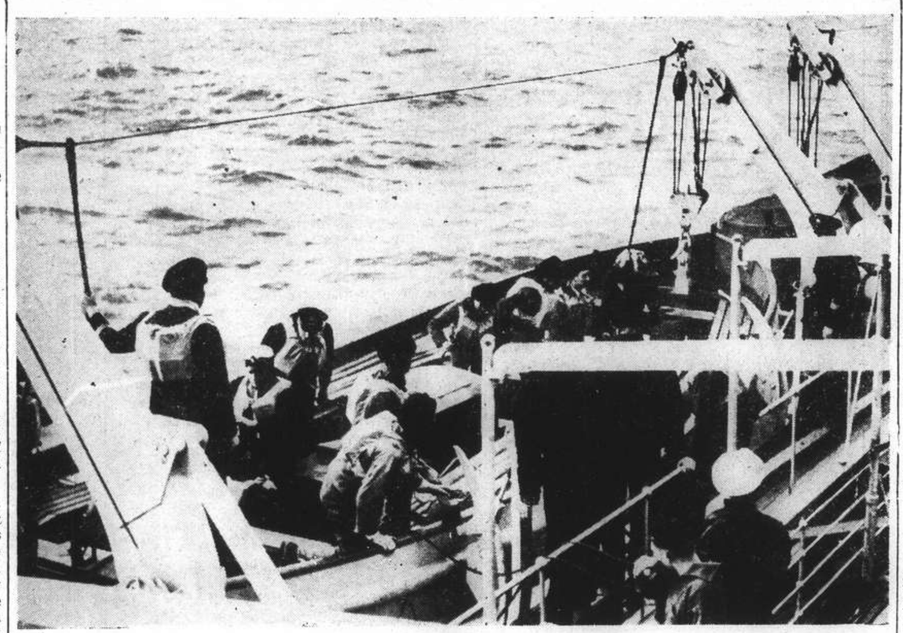
Hongkong is also the main seaport of the Chinese Government following the blockade of the China coast by the Japanese Navy. Hankow depends for most things from this Colony. In consequence, the air line between these two cities is taxed to the limit in passenger and airmail service. In addition, transportation is by the Canton-Kowloon and Canton-Hankow trains.

All foreign diplomats and other distinguished visitors who come to China must pass through Hongkong en route to Hankow, as most people from Shanghai.

Hongkong enjoys war time prosperity with steady rise of the cost of living and commodity prices. Business has been benefitted by the war, while the presence of rich refugees from all parts of the country contribute to prosperity.

British merchants here believe that prosperity will continue even after the cessation of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, asserting that Hongkong has replaced Shanghai as a commercial and industrial centre. As Hongkong is a British Colony, there is unlimited confidence in its security and stability.

Who wants a herd of deer? For 75 years a herd has lived in a field near Trowbridge, Wilts, and they are to be given to anyone who will offer them sanctuary. They were established by a Major Clark, a prosperous local mill owner, after his romantic marriage with one of his mill girls. His widow tended them after his death and now she is dead and her estate went under the hammer recently, except for the deer. She directed they should be given to any person who would promise not to kill them. No one has yet accepted the offer.



Nazi Plebiscite Ship Rescues British Sailors

A brilliant feat of seamanship is to the credit of German sailors, manning the Wilhelm Gustloff, which went to London early this month to afford German residents in Britain an opportunity to vote in the plebiscite. The Pegaway had sprung a leak while off Terceshelling Island and the crew were in a precarious position. Lowering a boat the German sailors took the lot, seventeen in all, off safely and carried them to port.

Japanese Settle in Peiping

More Than 12,000 Residents Many of Whom Hope to Go Into Shansi Later on

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Peiping, Apr. 16.

Peiping, if its Japonification goes much further, will have to change its name. Not only are Japanese citizens flowing into it with the volume and steadiness of a river but its very appearance is being changed and it begins to have a Japanese air about it.

Before the "incident" Peiping had about 2,000 Japanese residents. Today the figure stands at over 12,000 and the Japanese Consulate registers about 50 new arrivals daily. All of them don't remain, some following the army further afield. Many are reported to be waiting at Shihchiachwang ready to swarm into Shansi when, to use the phrase without which no Japanese military spokesman is complete, the province has been "mopped up."

All appear to have come seeking the promised land. Houses here are very scarce, Japanese snapping up anything that comes on the market. The Chinese police had to establish a special department to deal with Japanese wanting to rent houses and shops. In many places the traditional Chinese shopfront has given place to the lath and paper sliding doors and shopfronts of Japan. Beer halls, dance halls, sukiyaki and other restaurants are all over the place, and a number of less respectable places of business also.

A prominent American resident has tried vainly and with all the weight of his Embassy behind him to get removed a house of prostitution from the house next to his residence. He can neither find another house nor get the nuisance removed.

Purchase Large Premises

On Morrison Street, the big street of modern style Chinese shops, many are now occupied by Japanese. Two famous Chinese restaurants have been bought by Japanese businessmen and the large building, in the men and the large building, in the Peiping Legation Quarter, which formerly housed the Russo-Asiatic Bank also has been bought by Japanese interests. The Chartered Bank Building in the Legation Quarter has been bought by the Bank of Chosen. This, in parenthesis, does not mean the withdrawal of the Chartered Bank—it is moving to other premises. A cinema has been bought by Japanese interests and is working overtime, screening two Japanese and three foreign pictures per day.

One of Peiping's largest foreign residences has been bought by the Japanese, it is reported for a consulate-generalate. In the Wagons Lits Hotel in the Legation Quarter you may see brightly kimonoed waitresses serving meals in the dining room and soon a Japanese restaurant serving only Japanese food will be opened by the South Manchuria Railway Company in the Wagons Lits Hotel.

Japanese military trucks and cars career through the city at high speeds, while the violently-coloured three-wheeled motor delivery van which helps to make life in Tokyo unendurable has made its appearance in Peiping streets, through which fewer camel caravans appear to plod. One third of the rickshaws seem to be filled by women in kimonoes and another third by Japanese men. The pavements are cluttered up with vividly painted signs in Japanese pointing the way to shops, restaurants and other places of business in the side streets. Japanese gendarmes take more than a casual hand in police affairs and recently organized a "safety on the street" week during which Chinese police and Japanese gendarmes tried to teach the Chinese how to walk on pavements and how to drive cars.

A large number of uniformed Japanese Consular police have been imported and are to be seen on the streets all the time. Japanese is a compulsory course in all Chinese schools and Chinese rickshaw-men who used to learn a few words of English for the benefit of their trade with foreign tourists are now learning a bit of Japanese.

The Japanese spokesman here lately has been subjected to much mild "ragging" by correspondents who wanted to know who owned Peiping. This arose out of the closing of many streets for hours at a time because of the visit of some high Japanese official or minor member of the Royal Family. It had nothing to do with the Provisional Government—the streets were arbitrarily closed by Japanese gendarmes shutting off all traffic for long periods.

Their Livelihood a Mystery

How all the Japanese here live remains something of a mystery. The Chinese don't appear to buy much in their shops, nor do foreigners. Indeed most of the shops seem empty most of the time. It seems impossible that they make a living out of the Japanese army, because they far outnumber the Japanese soldiers is this area. Restaurants and beer halls do well of course and there have always been Japanese ronin and Koreans selling drugs.

Most of the small shopkeepers, it is stated, have arrived with a few hundred dollars of capital, hoping to make a comfortable living if not a fortune and they must be living on this small capital while they wait for fortune to smile. The chances are that it will not unless industry gets really going and there appears to be little chance of that for some time to come. It seems difficult to get money out of Japan for industry here, most of the moneyed Chinese have left long ago and although one now hears nothing of "Asia for the Asiatics," foreign money does not seem to be pouring in.

It may well be that many Japanese who have come to the promised land with modest capital may be forced to make tracks for home six months hence.

Landed Without Wheels

Pilot Officer Devoto, of the 218th Fighter Squadron, R.A.F., of Upper Heyford, Oxford, and a young wireless operator had a wonderful escape on March 29 when their all-metal heavy bomber made a forced landing in a field of spring-growing wheat without the use of landing wheels at Little Dunmow, Essex, states the "Manchester Guardian."

The 'plane was at a height of 1,000 feet when the engine suddenly cut out and the undercarriage could not be released. The 'plane just missed some telegraph wires and a railway line and ploughed its way along the rough ground for a distance of forty yards before coming to a standstill. The propeller and undercarriage were smashed, but the occupants escaped unhurt.

When the pilot stepped out of the 'plane he remarked, "Perhaps it was just as well that we landed as we did. If the wheels had been down we should most probably have hit a bump and turned turtle."

Bandit Activities in Honan

Military Take Measures to Suppress Large Gangs; Foreign Mission Work Continues

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

(Delayed in transit)

Kaifeng, Ho., Apr. 7.

During the past several months, bandits have been extremely active throughout the whole of Honan. The through bus service from Kaifeng to Nanyang in southwestern Honan, has once again been looted, and the magistrate of Weishih, 90 li south of Kaifeng city, was killed a few days ago, by them. It is also reported that ammunitions and military supplies of the 32nd Army were even once looted at the vicinity of Loyang.

The reason given why so many young people in the province become bandits is because they refuse to be impressed by the military authorities to be soldiers. It seems evident that some traitors stand behind them.

Following the assumption of the chairmanship of the province by Gen. Cheng Chien, Gen. Peng Chin-chih, former commander of the Honan Paoan Army, has been appointed to suppress bandits with two division forces in western Honan. The 11th, 13th, and 184th divisions are charged to suppress bandits at Shangtsai, Sintsai and their neighbouring districts in southern Honan. Several "bandit villages" at Lushan, and Paofeng in Southern Honan are said to have been burned to the ground, and 20,000 bandits have been killed at Sishein.

According to arrivals from different parts of the province, all big groups of bandits such as are headed by Cheng Tao-jung, with 5,000 followers have been annihilated by Government troops—some small groups are still active somewhere in the province.

Dramatic Clubs Active

In order to further propaganda among the masses, the organizations of the *"hua chu tuan"* (speaking dramatic clubs) have been very active here. The main ones are the Chung Yuan Dramatic Club, Bright Dramatic Club, Children's Dramatic Club, Dramatic Club of the 32nd Army and the Dramatic Club of the Provincial Kuomintang.

Every night at seven, they used to perform jointly at the Great People's Theatre, and the people are admitted free of charge. The names of their principal plays are "Whistling in Forest," "A Traitor's Children," "Resistance," "A Village After Being Occupied by the Japanese," "China's Children." In addition to the above mentioned patriotic plays, patriotic songs are also sung to the audience at the rising of each curtain.

The number of the missionaries here totals 68, of whom, 28 belong to Catholic Church, and 25 to the Christian churches. Since the outbreak of the hostilities, Kaifeng has been bombed by Japanese planes twice but no damage was done to mission properties. It may be recalled that Miss Bailey of the Independent Gospel Boat Mission received six wounds from flying shrapnel when the Japanese planes bombed Tsaokangkow, 30 li northeast of Kaifeng. She has got completely recovered. No other missionaries have been wounded.

Strict Rules Announced

For the purpose of maintaining order and peace the Kaifeng Garrison Headquarters have published ten orders, the violation of any one may incur death penalty: (1) committing robbery and rape, (2) selling or buying by force, (3) wandering soldiers, who disobey directions, endangering public peace and order, (4) inventing false reports to deceive public, (5) leakage of military information (6) destruction of communications and correspondence, (7) issuing signals when the enemy's planes make appearance, (8) being connected with enemy, (9) disturbance of monetary currency; and (10) harbouring traitors.

Concerning the reopening of the shops in the city, the Kaifeng Garrison Headquarters have also proclaimed that (1) no shops are allowed to suspend their business, and the shops which have already suspended should announce to reopen or be severely punished, (2) the closed shops should continue to pay taxes as usual, and (3) to remedy the shortage of food-supplies, fuel and liquid fuel, the local Chamber of Commerce should consult the military authorities to allot trains for transportation from outports.

Following the proclamation of these rules, many shops in the city have announced to open again, and the general conditions have shown great improvement.

Girl Jailed in Spy Hunt

Yvonne Talbot, twenty-three-year-old pretty brunette Frenchwoman, known as "La Belle Tatiana" in fashionable bars and night clubs on the Riviera, is among six people arrested and accused of spying in a round up by the French secret service this week-end, states the "Daily Express."

Tatiana, who posed as a Russian emigré, is married to a Pole who became a naturalized Frenchman, but she left him for a French student. This student was arrested on March 19 in a bar in the Latin quarter of Paris and accused of being the agent of a foreign Power.

A thirty-year-old Parisian, Jean Lasserre, was seized at Bayonne and accused of running an espionage agency at Irun, in Franco Spain. Lasserre had just started a night club at Bayonne, which he used as a centre for trying to obtain information from officers quartered near there.

Two young Frenchmen who had just finished their military training were found to have in their possession 143 secret military documents. Both were arrested. One of them, who had worked in the southern area staff headquarters, is alleged to have taken an extra copy of all secret documents given him to type and to have photographed all plans he could.

Abbey Tomb's Secrets

In the hope of deciding once and for all whether Shakespeare wrote Shakespeare's plays, a movement is being made to have the Westminster Abbey tomb of Edmund Spenser, the poet, opened and searched, states the "Sunday Express."

Spenser was buried in the Abbey in 1599.

Importance is attached to a search of his tomb because the historian Camden, who died in 1623, recorded that when Spenser was buried all the famous poets in the land were present and wrote poems extolling his virtues. These, Camden says, they threw into the grave together with their pens.

At the time of the funeral Shakespeare was a poet of recognized eminence and therefore one of his poems is almost certain to have been placed in the tomb among the others.

Permission of the Dean of Westminster is necessary to have the tomb opened. It is said that the Very Rev. Foxley Norris, the dean who died last year, was in favour of a search being made if a number of eminent literary figures would recommend it.

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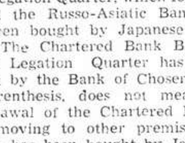

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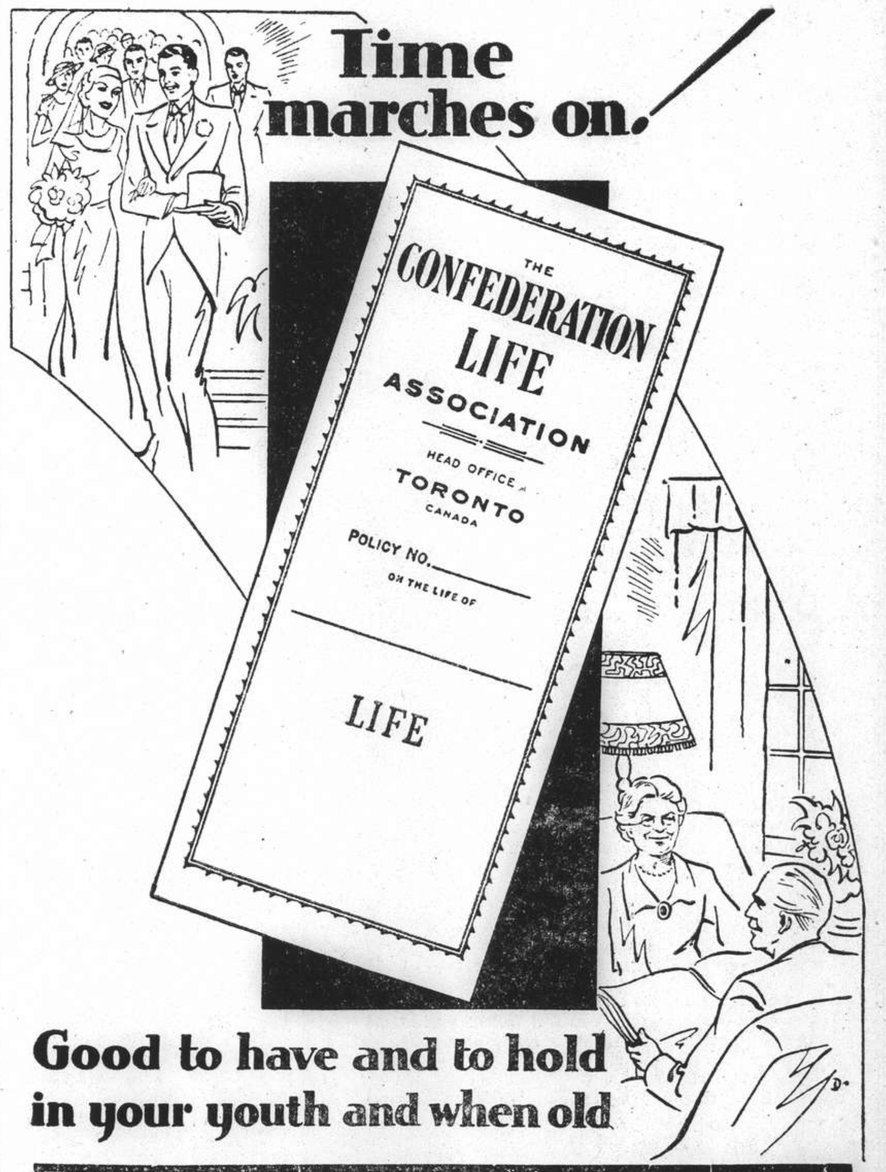

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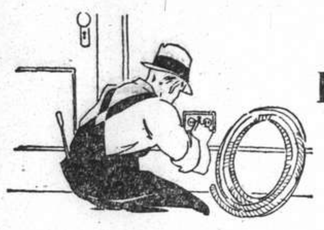

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DEATHS

SCHMIDT.—On Thursday, April 21, 1938, at the Paulun Hospital, Shanghai, LUDWIG ANDREAS SCHMIDT, aged 56 years, the dearly-beloved husband of Mrs. Gertrud Schmidt. Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 29, at the German Church at 6 p.m. 14212

CANNAN.—On Monday, April 25, 1938, at Capetown, South Africa, of meningitis, AUDREY FRANCES, aged twelve years, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cannan. 14192

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THE WHANGPOO RIVER

On April 11 of this year this journal had occasion to draw attention to the condition of the harbour arising out of the failure to continue conservancy work since the outbreak of hostilities. It was pointed out that owing to this neglect the river was silting in some places and scouring in others with all the disadvantages attendant upon such uncontrolled processes, and the hope was expressed that the Japanese, who have now control of all the machinery of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, would see their way clear to permit resumption of work so vital to the best interests of this port. It has since been learned that negotiations have been proceeding in the matter, but up to the present no statement has been issued concerning any decision which may have been reached. Point is now added to the leading article in question by a statement made by Mr. K. M. Fetterly, agent for the Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd., to a contemporary to the effect that the company's vessels would call at Shanghai as long as harbour conditions make it possible. Mr. Fetterly is reported to have said, however, that the present silting of the Whangpoo River and the Fairy Flats were already creating difficult problems for the operators of these liners. The Empress of Japan could no longer be berthed at a Pootung wharf, and it is becoming increasingly difficult to bring these vessels up river and manœuvre them against a wharf with reasonable safety from grounding. That is the result of approximately eight-and-a-half months inattention to this river, and the question naturally arises as to what will be its condition if the present state of inaction is allowed to continue many months more. It must be pointed out that deterioration in a case such as this proceeds with the rate of a geometric progression, and that in another six months the condition of the river may be in a much more appalling state than can be estimated merely in terms of time. It is consequently most strongly emphasized that the sooner steps are taken to remedy matters, the easier will be the work, and the quicker will present anxieties be dispelled.

In its previous comment on the subject this journal omitted to refer to the manner in which foreign interests were being disregarded in this matter, by the seizure and retention in idleness of the plant of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board. On April 9, 1912, an agreement was arrived at between the Peking Government and the Ministers of the Treaty Powers providing for the formation of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board of Administration, and also a Consultative Board. According to John V. A. MacMurray's compilation the Board of Administration was to consist of the Shanghai Taotai—later changed to the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs—the Shanghai Customs Commissioner and the Coast Inspector—subsequently changed to the Harbour Master. The Consultative Board was to be comprised of the following:—

(a) Five members appointed as follows: The several Ministers at Peking of the five nations having the largest tonnage entering and clearing at Shanghai, shall each determine at his discretion the means by which one member of his nationality shall be selected, and the Consuls-General at Shanghai shall notify the Conservancy Board of the selection made and of any subsequent changes.
(b) One member appointed by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Towards the financing of the scheme the "several Chambers of Commerce and Associations representing the Commercial interests of Shanghai" agreed to the raising of a tax for conservancy purposes consisting of 3 per cent. of the Customs Duties and, in case of duty-free goods 1½ per mille. There was also provision for a Governmental grant, but the fact remains that about 80 per cent. of the Board's income is contributed by foreign-flagged shipping administered by a Board, assisted by the Consultative Board on which foreign interests where predominantly represented. The constitution of the Whangpoo Conservancy as set forth in the agreement which has just been quoted is clearly an international one, and this is emphasized by the general provisions of Articles 10 and 11.

It is important that this should be remembered, for while the Whangpoo Conservancy Board on the face of it appears to be an organ of the Chinese Government, the foreign interests involved bestow upon it also an international status which should be always borne in mind. It is necessary, even though it has been repeated *ad nauseam*, again to lay stress upon the fact that frequent Japanese assurances have been given to the effect that foreign interests in China will be scrupulously respected. The effective maintenance of the Whangpoo River as a usable port for foreign shipping, which indeed is the Board's only *raison d'être*, is a matter of international concern, and a matter in which foreign interests are inextricably involved. Continued neglect of the river is not only a betrayal of those foreign interests but also a betrayal of the pledged word of the Japanese leaders. The point must be raised just as bluntly as that. It is unbelievable even now, when so many matters have created an anxiety amounting almost to a conviction, that it is still the intention of the Japanese authorities to pursue a policy which can only do the harm which foreign commercial interests in Shanghai are so anxious to avoid. There is not one valid reason why the Conservancy work, so necessary for the well-being of this harbour, should not be immediately put in hand. There most certainly is no military or naval reason, for the work necessary would in no way impede Japanese military and naval activities. As it is, valuable machinery, which ought to be hard at work for the maintenance and improvement of this port, it lying idle, the port is being allowed to deteriorate to a degree which must inevitably give rise to considerable alarm, and immediate and potential damage is being done to those foreign interests which neutral Powers have been so often assured would be respected. There have in the past been so many instances where Japanese action which would have made a favourable impression upon foreign observers has been neglected—possibly in some cases for good reason—that the time has come for the display of that good faith which has so often been insisted on.

Russian Clerics' Ordeal

With the arrest of the Archbishop and Bishop of Moscow, together with ten other clerics on a charge of being members of an underground anti-Soviet terrorist organization engaged in espionage on behalf of Fascist Powers and plotting to overthrow the Soviet regime, another of the Soviet state trials seems to be in the offing. Obviously guilt of the offence charged would carry with it the sentence of death, and, when some of the evidence adduced in preceding trials is remembered, it is apparent that the charge is sufficiently widely drawn to make sure that those arrested shall not escape. For some considerable time past the ecclesiastics in Russia have not been persecuted as they were in the earlier years of the revolution, and it was hoped that, with the diminishing of the anti-god movement and the increasing tolerance of religion, the Russian Church would escape much of the dangers which it originally faced. But the arrest of so high a dignitary of the Orthodox Church together with others gives rise to anxiety as to whether or not a fresh era of persecution is being inaugurated. The peculiar mentality of the Soviet Government as demonstrated in its various state trials leaves little hope that these new prisoners will receive any different treatment than those others who have preceded them to the wall and the firing squad, and unless there is a considerable change of the Soviet heart, these men have already had their feet set upon that dreary path which has but one destination. They will undoubtedly be subjected to the treatment under which the courage of others has succumbed, and it remains to be seen whether the fortitude with which they have met persecution in the past, and the inspiration which they must derive from their faith will be able to fortify them against the system which succeeds in breaking men's courage down and bringing them into court for the most part craven witnesses against themselves.

Between The Lines

There is one reader of the "North-China Daily News" who is highly satisfied with the delivery of his paper. He is a resident of Sutsien, in North Kiangsu, where a Japanese column is advancing from the north, another Japanese column is preparing to advance from the south, and Chinese troops are filling the breach, but he still gets his paper. Formerly, it was about a 24-hours' distance between Shanghai and Sutsien, but now mail deliveries from Shanghai must go via Hongkong, Hankow, Chengchow and Hsuchowfu and anything between one month and two months constitutes the delivery time. The postal service is slow owing to this circuitous route but he writes:

> A check-up shows that all 31 issues of the "North-China Daily News" for December have come to hand, though some of them were on the way about two months. This is a remarkable record.

It is so because it shows the indomitability of this journal and the enterprise of the Chinese Post Office which seems to be able to penetrate anywhere in spite of conditions. The fact that during the difficult period reported by the correspondent not a single copy of the newspaper was missing indicates the reliability of the Post Office in face of unusual obstacles. But there is also another factor which reflects on conditions of newspaper delivery in China and that is Sutsien is within Chinese-controlled territory where records show that newspaper publishers are in a far better position to deliver to their subscribers than in Japanese-controlled territory. This is a situation which needs remedying for there are quite a number of cities in Japanese occupation where Shanghai newspapers are unable to be delivered. Incidentally, the Sutsien correspondent's report reveals the persistency of Chinese mercantile enterprise for by utilizing the Grand Canal and the intricate system of creeks, via Nantungchow, a trade route between Sutsien and Shanghai has been established and kerosene shipments from Shanghai, taking 10 to 20 days in shipment have been so considerable that there has been a substantial reduction in the price of this commodity and the mail route may also be shortened. This is an encouraging indication of China's capacity for recovery.

A Country Diary

April 24.—Walking through the rain this morning the words of the poet came to me that "Spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil"...though the soil has not much to laugh about these days. And of all the flowers around me I found the tall Buttercups to be the most attractive; so I took out my knife and cut a great armful which has since provided a most attractive table decoration. I was so stirred by the beauty of these wild flowers that I looked up various books of reference to see just how they got their name ... and I am still left in a sea of doubt. Mr. Porterfield tells me that the small Buttercup of our lawns is *Ranunculus ternatus* (and I have previously remarked that the *Rana* part of it refers to the frog) while the tall one is *Ranunculus acris* ... or possibly *R. Japonicus*, according to the shape of leaves and petals. But it does seem quaint that among all the authorities I am unable to find how such a familiar flower was named. It is known as Crowfoot (from the shape of the leaves) Butterflower, Golden-cup, Goldilocks and Kingcup. In all these names the word "butter" is most difficult to explain because it has been known for generations that *Ranunculus* (an acrid herb) does nothing to increase the butter-content of the milk of kine which have fed on it. Shakespeare called the flower "Cuckoobud" which merely goes to show that in his day anything which had a spice of romance about it was called after the Cuckoo—a nasty piece of work from the sociological point of view. And last of all, I found in an old encyclopœdia that the name of this flower has really nothing to do with *Butter* and less to do with *Cups:* it is derived (so says my authority) from "Buttoncop"—meaning "Button-head"—and referring to the round seed-head left when the petals fall off! I wonder? And I only wish that brother Shakespeare were still alive so that I could ask him what in the name of all that is wonderful he meant when he called this flower a *"Cuckoobud."*

IN PARENTHESIS

Thoughts on the Verse of One Who Styles Himself "E.K."

Poetic?
Bah!
Bathetic?
Ah!!
Emetic?
HA!!!

—C.

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Naturally

A YOUNG tourist in a country village talking to one of the yokels, in the course of the conversation asked him, how old he was? He replied, "Oi be, zeven and zeventy." "But why do you put the seven first," the tourist asked, and the reply, "because Oi were zeven, before Oi were zeventy."

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Nota Bena

Will you list to us, Sir! if we mingle with "Ega"
Since your columns, we see were strictly designed—
If facetious at times or if ever so meagre—
To instruct or enlighten the simpleton's mind.
We have never read Nash, Sir! nor conned Wyndham Lewis
But we revel in jesters like Falstaff or Feste
And in Sheridan's wit as in "Malaprop Mrs."
Or in poets indulging in folly and jest.
Now, all funny effects should be set in some measure
And nonsensical flight soar in rhythmical strain.
So, we trust certain rhymers will ponder at leisure
And from spilling more liquid in future refrain.
For if tastes in all things at all ages may differ,
Certain "savouries" blend not with mustard or ham,
While free verse if unstressed will recoil like the "pfifa"
And be smothered like pigs in a sea-swinging jam!

—JACK AND JILL.

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Reply In Part

My gentle effort to ensure
A supply of funny rhymes in the future, and possibly fewer
Lines of the EK variety (which seem to have been slung together simply because they all ended in a somewhat similar sound,
And not because of their attempted humour or poetic content) has, we now have found,
Had a most curious effect, namely, e.g., to wit, that is:—
That one or two people, without really trying to satis-
Fy themselves as to whether or not my criticism was on the whole, a fair one—
A criticism which, all will remember, embodied the suggestion that there was only room for one thing in a funny column and that *light* verse and other fun—
Have rallied to his defence, while one of them even suggests that I am unfair to EK's "verse,"
And, what is verse,
Hints that "even he (meaning, I suppose, me) knows
"It's refreshing 'mid the dullness of prose."
With that old friend of mine, Bill Shakespeare,
(The poet wallah, not the football fellow) let me pause to shed a poignant teare;
Had "Reader" suggested I didn't know what I was talking about
I might have withstood the blow — but to cast a doubt
On my definitely not "refreshed" reaction to EK's line of vearse
Has driven me into a coma (Boy, fetch me my hearse!)—
But alas, time grows short and the space available to me even shorter,
So to "Reader" and "The Girl He Left Behind"—oh sweet my hardy, most perennial daughter—
I would make this fond suggestion: that they try and discover for me
Who or what ever gave EK poetic licence to come out with statements like "And on the wharf they still can *see* .... a never forgotten *memory*,"
And that they go carefully through his latest poem (sic),
Studying it carefully for other such beautiful thoughts, mixed metaphors, etc. *ad lib.*, and see if I did not have a leg. ground for a kick....
And if they still think rhymes of that calibre should be encouraged, I will ask you, Mr. I. P., my brother in woe,
Are these people personal friends of EK, do you happen to know?

—EGA.

THE WEATHER

The temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai for 24 hours ending 7 p.m.

Yesterday	Min.	50.5	Max.	67.5
Same date, 1937	Min.	51.0	Max.	58.5

Rainfall trace.

Siccawei Recordings:—

Yesterday	Min.	46.9	Max.	68.9
Same date, 1937	Min.	48.0	Max.	59.5

Siccawei's Report

State on thne morning of the 25th:—Normal anti-cyclone, central over the Lower Yangtze and spreading over China and Korea. Low pressures over north Japan. Variable winds around Shantung and over our regions: northerly to easterly over the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Fine weather in the north and over our regions: overcast and rainy over the Eastern Sea.

State on the morning of the 26th:—Rather high and steady pressure. South-easterly breeze. Fine to cloudy weather.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy and sandy weather with southerly to westerly winds around Shantung. Overcast to rainy with south-easterly to north-easterly winds over our regions, owing to a depression over Kiangsi moving east-north-eastward. Overcast getting rainy and foggy with north-easterly to south-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa.—Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The International Red Cross Society.—From Members of the Shanghai Hockey Club	$41.00
S.S.P.C.A.—From Mrs. C. W. Glover in memory of Mrs. C. E. Lancaster.	$10.00
Anonymous	$ 5.00
Miss A. Macbeth upkeep of "Old Soldier." in memory of Juno.	$100.00
The American Civilian Relief Society.—From Mrs. Charles Whittlesey Atkinson.. in memory of Dr. W. H. Downs.	$10.00
The Salvation Army.—From Mrs. Charles Whittlesey Atkinson	$10.00
Anonymous	$ 5.00
Standard-Vacuum Oil Co. Pootung Installation, Foreign Staff	$75.00
Chinese Staff	$100.00
Shanghai Sailor's Agency in memory of W. B. Robertson.	$ 5.00

Britain's Income Tax Up by Sixpence

Budget at £944,394,000 Up by £81,500,000 On 1937 Estimate; Surplus of £9,500,000; Tax Evasions Will Be Curbed

London, Apr. 26.

AN increase of 6d. in income tax, making it 5s. 6d. in the £, was announced by Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in introducing his first Budget in the House of Commons today shortly after its reassembly following the Easter recess. For 2,000,000 smaller taxpayers, however, he added, the income tax would remain at 20d. on the first £135.

Sir John Simon also announced an increase in the duty on petrol from 8d. to 9d.; a similar increase in the duty on heavy oils for road transport, an increase of 2d. per lb. in the duty on Empire and foreign tea, new measures to prevent tax evasion, and that the surplus during the past year was £28,786,000.

The Chancellor indicated that there would be income tax adjustments in respect of an estate administered by executors for the life of a tenant, adjustments affecting the cashing of coupons, and a tightening of the law relating to profits from the sale of stock in trade.

Other unspecified measures related to company reorganization, death duties, investments, sinking fund and business of insurance companies.

The increase in income tax, Sir John Simon said, would produce this year £22,250,000, while the increases in the levies on oils and tea would yield £5,000,000 and £2,750,000 respectively. This would give a total of £30,000,000.

The estimated surplus in 1938-39, the Chancellor informed the House, would be £352,000.

At the outset the Chancellor mentioned that last year's revenue receipts were five times greater than 25 years ago, at £872,500,000, but it would not be right, he said, to treat them as proving that the year was one of progressive, continuous improvement throughout.

The first six months, Sir John Simon said, were more prosperous than the second.

The past financial year closed with a substantial surplus of £28,786,000, being nearly £9,500,000 over the Estimates. The total expenditure met from revenue was £843,000,000.

The estimated total expenditure for the coming year was £994,398,000, or £81,500,000 more than last year's Estimate.

The Chancellor foreshadowed measures to prevent tax evasion.

They might operate retrospectively.

The Chancellor estimated that the revenue on the existing basis of taxation would total £914,400,000, leaving £29,998,000 to be found.

The net increase in national debt last year was £258,000,000 nominal, of which £203,000,000 was covered by assets.

Reserve Food Stocks

The Government's food and defence departments, he asserted, had bought sufficient wheat, whale oil and sugar to ensure the maintenance of stocks to meet the needs of the civil population during the early months of an emergency.

The new measures against tax evasion would deal with recoverable trusts and settlements in one-man companies abroad.

Prime Minister Cheered

The Chancellor spoke altogether for an hour and 38 minutes.

Budget Day excitement prevailed in the House with all public galleries filled to capacity, while many peers occupied their particular gallery.

The first M.P. arrived at the House shortly after dawn to secure a seat to hear Sir John Simon present his first Budget, but this member was disappointed, for entry into the House was not permitted until 8 o'clock. When the doors were opened, no fewer than seven members were waiting to enter.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Dominions Secretary, was warmly cheered in acknowledgment of the successful conclusion of the Anglo-Eire negotiations when he rose to answer questions.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, was also heartily cheered when he came in a few moments later.—Reuter.

British Air Mission Now in New York

London Determined to Gain Full Programme Of R.A.F. Strength

New York, Apr. 26.

The British air mission will make a thorough canvass of aircraft factories in the United States to determine how many planes and what fighting types of fighting craft can be obtained in this country.

This was revealed by Air Commodore J.G. Weir, one of the members, following the arrival of the mission in New York yesterday from London.

"We have come to look around, but we suppose," he said, "that if purchases are going to be made, our view of the situation will be given weight."

Air Commodore Weir was reticent on the further plans of the mission. He could not say for the present, he declared, what types of planes and how many machines Great Britain would buy in the United States, or how much his country was prepared to spend.

Any orders for aircraft which Great Britain may place are expected to help American manufacturers to reach full production capacity in 1938.—Reuter.

Reasons for Purchases

London, Apr. 25.

The British Government's determination to have at their disposal 8,000 or 9,000 planes within two years is responsible for their decision to purchase craft from the United States, some experts declared here today. The despatch of an Air Mission to the U.S. and Canada is also said to have arisen from the somewhat pessimistic report issued by the Air Ministry, and which the Cabinet is likely to examine thoroughly on Wednesday.

According to the programme of construction outlined in 1936, there were to be by 1939, 1,750 bombers constructed in British factories and auxiliary plants. However, these estimates have not been fulfilled, due to the present slow rate of production. Furthermore, the necessity to exceed this early figure was recently indicated by the Prime Minister Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in Parliament.

New Efforts Decided

The Government's efforts are now directed towards reaching an annual production figure of 4,000 planes within three years, through the establishment of special factories and the formation of highly-qualified staffs, while filling the intervening three-year gap with purchases from the United States.

The authorities are now making inquiries among various manufacturers, to chose plants that may on short notice be transformed into air construction factories, it is said. Also, the Air Mission in the U.S. will soon report on the possibility of placing orders in America, chiefly for the super-bomber type of craft, such as the powerful Boeings. The U.S. Government have granted the Mission preliminary authorization to negotiate with American factories, it is understood. Experts now claim that the British Government are ready to utilize American and Canadian factories, despite opposition from both Capital and Labour, to realize their aim of possessing 8,000 or 9,000 planes within two years.—Havas.

Senator Lewis Objects

Washington, Apr. 26.

Unless the United States stopped selling war material to foreign nations, she might some day find herself fighting against American-produced macnines, declared Senator J. Hamilton Lewis (Democrat, Illinois) in a debate on the naval expansion bill yesterday.

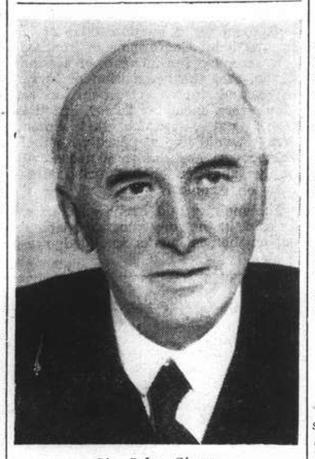
Senator Lewis protested against purchasing agents of Great Britain being permitted to "ascertain the full quality of our ability to produce war supplies under the guise of purchase."

The "purchasing agents" in question are the members of the British Air Mission, which arrived in New York yesterday.

High quarters emphasize that there is nothing political about the mission, which, it is stated, is not seeking contacts with the State Department. Also, all governments purchasing air material in the United States are treated uniformly in their applications for export licenses.

The "Washington Star" points out that France, Russia, Japan, China, Turkey and various South American nations have ordered, or are about to order, war material from the United States.

The members of the British air mission conferred yesterday afternoon with the Air Attache to the British Embassy regarding arrangements for their tour of American aircraft factories.—Reuter.



Sir John Simon

Italian Empire

London, Apr. 26.

The recognition of the Italian conquest of Ethiopia was the subject of a long conversation at the Foreign Office today between Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary, and M. Joseph Avenol, Secretary-General of the League of Nations.—Reuter.

Local Customs Working Plan Drawn Up

Service on Foreign Loans Arranged

Tokyo, Apr. 26.

Following protracted negotiations here between Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador to Japan, and Mr. K. Horinouchi, Japanese Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, a working plan in connection with the Shanghai Customs issue has been drawn up. This plan, it is authoritatively learned, has been cabled to London for approval. It is stated that copies have also been sent to the United States, France and other interested Powers.

The plan is understood to outline proposals for the payment of the loan service secured on the Customs and the depositing of the Customs revenue.

There is no mention in the plan of the personnel to supervise the collection of the Customs.

Japanese reports this morning stating that full agreement had been reached and that this agreement would be initialled on Saturday morning are authoritatively learned to have been premature.

There are a few minor issues still to be cleared up. The suggested working plan has also yet to be approved by London.

Nevertheless great progress has been made and there is generally believed to be a strong possibility of a final agreement being reached within a very short time.

Mr. E. L. Hall-Patch, financial adviser to the British Embassies in Japan and China, who has been assisting the British Ambassador in the negotiations here, is leaving for North China via Kobe on Friday (April 29).—Reuter.

No Agreement Yet

Reports that an Anglo-Japanese agreement on the Chinese Maritime Customs has already been initialled are denied in London, where it is pointed out that a number of formulae on the subject has been considered in Tokyo and London.

Although some progress has been made, according to well-informed quarters, it cannot yet be said that an agreement is immediately in view.—Reuter.

Storm Troops Withdraw From Jewish Cafes

Boycott Continues in Vienna Under Nazis

Vienna, Apr. 26.

Storm Troops posted outside Jewish shops in the centre of Vienna on Sunday night, have been withdrawn, but the boycott of many Jewish-owned cafes continues, and only non-Aryans are allowed to enter.

Storm Troops entered Vienna University yesterday, and forced all the Jewish students to leave. A decree has been announced limiting Jewish students in Austrian universities to two per cent.

The schilling today officially ceased to be the currency of Austria.—Reuter.

Post for Herr Buerckel

Berlin, Apr. 26.

Herr Joseph Buerckel has been appointed Reich Commissioner for Austria's union with Germany by a decree issued by the Fuehrer, Herr Adolf Hitler. Herr Buerckel's task will be to accomplish, within one year, the political organization of Austria, as well as its economic, cultural and political union with the Reich.

Herr Hitler has informed Dr. Arthur Soyss-Inquart, the Stadthalter, that after the introduction of German legislation in Austria, he will be made Minister for Austrian Affairs in the Reich Cabinet.—Reuter.

O.S.K. European Service

Osaka, Apr. 26.

After a five-year suspension, shipping service linking Japan and Europe by way of Panama will be revived by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha in July, it was announced here tonight. Five vessels will be put on the run, the Tokai Maru, Kinai Maru, Sanyo Maru, Hokkai Maru and Nankai Maru. They will make the voyage from Japan, Manchuria or China to Europe in 42 days by way of the Panama Canal, America and the Atlantic. Regular sailings are planned—Domei.

German Has Cure for Poison Gas Effects

Lieut.-Col. Otto Muntsch, second from right, German army doctor who arrived in Shanghai yesterday after attending the Japanese Medical Society conference in Kyoto. Dr. Muntsch announced at the conference that after 20 years' research he was near a cure for the after-effects of poison gas.

Chinese Positions Threatened As Japanese Move North

Right Wing Menaced at Taierchwang; Disposition of Invading Columns in Tsinpu Hostilities

Hankow, Apr. 26.

A THREAT to the right flank of the Chinese forces defending Taierchwang and the start of a push northward by Japanese forces south of Hsuchowfu are the latest developments on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, where the Chinese are fighting desperately to improve their position. The menace to the Chinese right wing at Taierchwang followed the success of the Japanese in breaking through the Chinese positions south-east of Yihsien, in the vicinity of Hsiaowang. The Chinese line in this sector now runs diagonally from Lanchentien, through Changsi and Tingchiachao, to Taierchwang.

One column of Japanese troops at Huangchwang and Howan, north of Hanchiao, attacked the Chinese positions at Hanchiao today, but were repulsed, states a Chinese military communique. Severe fighting is also in progress in the vicinity of Tengshien, on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway north of Lincheng, where Chinese units are said to be actively engaging Japanese troops.

The Japanese troops pushing northward are said to be divided into two columns, one moving along the north Kiangsu coast and another along the southern section of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

They include:

1.—The forces which landed at Nantung, on the north bank of the Yangtze, last month, pushed northward along the sea coast and reached Tungtai. They are said to be now moving towards Yenchen.

2.—The forces which pushed northward along the Grand Canal and reached Shaopeh. They are at present advancing in the direction of Kaoyu.

3.—About 20,000 troops at Pengpu who recently crossed the Hwai River. They are now pushing up the Tientsin-Pukow Railway in the direction of Nansuchow, south of Hsuchowfu.

4.—About 700 troops at Hwaiyuan, west of Pengpu.

Guerillas Approach Nanking

Chinese mobile units are now active along the Nanking-Wuhu Railway, and also between Wuhu and Hsuanchen, according to Chinese dispatches received here this afternoon.

Chinese guerillas, the reports add, are approaching the outskirts of Nanking.—Reuter.

Suiyuan Fighting

Suiyuan, Apr. 26.

Japanese troops yesterday morning laid siege to the walled town of Anpei, northwest of Paotou, in Suiyuan.

The fall of Anpei is imminent, military dispatches claimed. Besieged within the town is a force of 3,000 men, commanded by Generals Shih Yu-san and Men Pingyuen. The force retreated to Anpei, after its defeat at Sanjuti, north-west of Kuyang, on the night of April 23.—Domei.

New Sales Company for Kailan Mines

Japanese Concern Formed For Coal Distribution

Tokyo, Apr. 26.

Sponsored by Japan's largest consumers of Kailan coal, the Kailan Sales Company, Ltd., was formally organized here yesterday.

The new concern is capitalized at Y.2,000,000, half of which has been paid up. The company will monopolize the distribution of Kailan coal in Japan, Korea, Manchuria and China.

Mr. Shinkyo Nakamatsu, managing director of the semi-official Japan Iron Manufacturing Company, has been appointed president of the new firm, which will open for business on May 1.—Domei.

The local office of the Kailan Mining Administration yesterday stated that they have no information on the subject.

Italian Mission Honoured

Changchun, Apr. 26.

Emperor Kangte this morning received in audience members of the Fascist goodwill mission to Japan, now visiting this country. At noon, the Manchoukuo monarch played host to the Italians at lunch at the Imperial Palace.—Domei.

Washington Officials Seen Taking More Realist View of World Relations

Democratic Idealism of Mr. Cordell Hull Feared to Be Isolating United States: Trends Examined

Washington, Apr. 26.

The recent statement made by President Roosevelt in which he expressed "sympathetic interest" for the conclusion of the Anglo-Italian accord is considered in well-informed circles here as signifying that the foreign policy of the country is shifting more and more towards realism.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, always believed it was necessary, in the international sphere, to emphasize the moral view. Consequently, he implicitly condemned treaty violations and acts of aggression by dictatorships.

President Roosevelt supported this view which tended towards the formation of a democratic front.

State Department officials and career diplomats, however, considered, that the United States should not risk finding herself isolated when faced with European diplomatic developments as the result of idealism.

The resignation of Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, and the strengthening of the policy of the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, reinforced this "realist" point of view.

Public Opinion Unchanged

Public opinion, on the other hand, remained faithful to President Roosevelt's attitude as outlined in his famous Chicago speech, which established a clear distinction between democracies and dictatorships.

Influential State Department officials believe that the problems of the recognition of the Italian Empire and Nationalist Spain should be examined now, but the Stimson doctrine which is being faithfully followed by Mr. Hull, prevents recognition of conquests obtained by force.

Public opinion remains attached to the conception of durable peace as incompatible with the methods used by dictatorships and considers that Mr. Chamberlain's policy has yet to show its worth.

President Roosevelt's statement, while showing an important concession to the "realist" policy, maintains conditional, it is believed.—Havas.

Alleged Peace Talk

A Sino-Japanese conference for the discussion of peace will be held in Hongkong, according to a Chinese telegram dated yesterday and published in yesterday's "Ta Mei Wan Pao." The proposal, according to the telegram, originated from the Japanese side, while the British, French and American authorities have approached the Chinese Government and negotiated for the convening of the meeting.

General Chang Chun, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, will arrive in Hongkong to represent China, while Sir John Clark Kerr is on his way to the Colony. The Chinese demand is for the withdrawal of Japanese troops in China before peace negotiations, says the report. No confirmation of this report could be obtained in Hongkong, according to the correspondent, while the general belief is that it is still premature for such negotiations.

Washington Asks News Of Flier Now Held

Envoy in Tokyo Ordered To Make Representation

Washington, Apr. 25.

Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, United States Ambassador to Japan, received orders from the Department of State today to obtain full information on charges against Mr. Melvin Gibbon, 27-year-old American aviator, detained by Japanese authorities since April 22.—United Press.

Consular Guarantees

Yokohama, Apr. 25.

Police were considering allowing Mr. Melvin Gibbon, American aviator, to proceed to the United States under consular guarantees, it was reported today. Police said Mr. Gibbon admitted having instructed Chinese aviators in Hankow.—United Press.

Visas for Travel Via Siberia

The Soviet Consulate is now accepting passengers' passports ready to be stamped with the necessary visas for travel via Siberia, it was ascertained yesterday. Visas will be issued on and after April 29, after which there will be no difficulty with regard to obtaining visas for travel via this route. The issuing of visas, it will be recalled, was temporarily cancelled by the Soviet Consulate for "technical reasons."

Four-Power Accord Not Favoured

Paris Discerns Both Britain and France Dislike Conception

Paris, Apr. 25.

On the eve of the Anglo-French parleys in London, diplomatic quarters here declared today that in France's opinion the Four-Power Pact of June 7, 1933, is not consonant with the present developments in Europe's political situation. Britain no longer wishes to revive the Treaty, which was signed by France, Great Britain, Germany and Italy in June, 1933, and which provided for close co-operation among the signatory Powers for the maintenance of peace in Europe.

Expression of these opinions comes with reports on the agenda for the meeting of the French and British Prime and Foreign Ministers to be held in London on Thursday and Friday.

Closer Anglo-French land, air and sea military and economic co-operation in case of war, will be one of the main subjects discussed at the conference, it is stated here. Also, relations with Italy, the Ethiopian issue, and the May 9 League Council session, will be discussed. The situation in Czechoslovakia following the Anschluss and the demands made at the Karlovy Vary Sudetens Congress, as well as the general position in Central Europe will be examined, while monetary questions relevant to the Tripartite Agreement complete the list of subjects on the agenda, it is declared.

The French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, and his Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet will leave for London by air on Wednesday afternoon to remain until Friday evening. Thursday night they will spend in Balmoral Castle after attending a dinner offered in their honour by the King and Queen.—Havas.

Report Denied

Peiping, Apr. 26.

The official Japanese spokesman emphatically denies reports that General Count Terauchi has been superseded. General Count Terauchi is still in high command in North China, the spokesman declares. Reports of his being replaced are officially described as "100 per cent. inaccurate."—Reuter.

Soviets Building Up Big Air Strength

Japanese Officer Tells His Impressions

Kobe, Apr. 26.

"He who rules the air, rules the world," this, in the opinion of Capt. Shigemi Yuzuhara, is the motto of the Soviet air force.

Capt. Yuzuhara arrived here yesterday from Moscow where he served as Military Attache to the Japanese Embassy. During his stay in Russia, the officer was attached to a Red Army regiment and was recalled home when the officers' exchange scheme was discontinued at the request of the Soviet Government.

Soviet Russia, he told the press, aims at having the strongest air force in the world. Large quantities of materials are imported from America and Europe, and special efforts are being made to train a large and an efficient force of pilots.

In 1936, Capt. Yuzuhara said, Soviet training schools graduated 8,000 civil pilots. The goal is an army of 140,000 fliers.

View of Japan's Force

Capt. Yuzuhara said Soviet officers are extremely reticent when questioned on their opinion of the Japanese air force.

An almanac, "The Air Force of Japan," published in Russia in 1934, he said, gave an amazing wealth of details on Japan's aviation, "but still did not do justice to the strength of the Japanese air service."

"The activities of Japanese aircraft in the present hostilities with China," he added, "have probably opened Soviet Russia's eyes to the real strength of Japan's air force."

Turning to the economic and political conditions in Russia, Capt. Yuzuhara said the people there "are suffering great difficulties in their daily life."—Domei.

Planes Arrive in Karachi

Karachi, Apr. 25.

Coming to a smooth landing, two Japanese-piloted brand-new Heinkel-116 airliners of the Manchuria Air Transport Company arrived here this afternoon from Basra, en route to Tokyo.—Domei.

Count Ciano Cheered By Albanian Crowd

All Government Leaders Welcome Italian Envoy

Tirana, Apr. 25.

All Albanian Ministers gathered at the aerodrome here at 10.35 o'clock this morning to welcome Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, arriving as Rome's representative at the wedding of King Zogu to Countess Geraldine Apponyi of Hungary.

While the officials exchanged courtesies with Count Ciano, a large crowd cheered and acclaimed him.

Celebrations for the royal nuptials were begun this morning, when at 8 o'clock, crowds of people gathered on the Place Skanderbeg to listen to the Mayor eulogising the King and future Queen. Then, 21 guns thundered out a salute as the Royal Hymn was being played, while a joyous procession began to make its way along the decorated streets of the capital.—Havas.

Simple Civil Ceremony

Tirana, Apr. 26.

Unless there is a last minute change in plans, there will be no religious ceremony at the wedding of King Zogu to Countess Geraldine Apponyi tomorrow, owing to difference in religions.

The Countess, who is the 22-year-old daughter of Count Albert Apponyi, the Hungarian statesman and "Grand Old Man" of Hungary, is a Roman Catholic, while the King is a Muslim.

They will be married, according to the Albanian civil code, at a simple ceremony at the King's study.

Meanwhile, cheering crowds are thronging the streets, which are decorated with triumphal arches. Hungarian aristocrats and foreign diplomats are pouring into Albania by aeroplane and ship.

The Countess made her first appearance before guests last night at a briliant ball, at which the bethrothed couple led the dancers.

Subsequently, King Zogu and Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, who is representing the King of Italy, retired for a long conversation, at which they are believed to have discussed the formation of a youth organization in Albania modelled on the Italian organization.—Reuter.

Life Between the Lines

Conditions in North Kiangsu City Described By Correspondent: Two Months From Shanghai

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

AN interesting picture of conditions in a town in that indeterminate area of hostilities in the vicinity of Hsuchowfu is given in this report from a "North-China Daily News" correspondent at Sutsien, North Kiangsu. This journal's correspondent is, normally, about 24 hours' distance from Shanghai, but, owing to the hostilities, mail from Shanghai reaches him from one to two months' time but this delay is not preventing this enterprising town from indulging in mercantile efforts along the Grand Canal and the creeks which are being exploited to provide another and quicker means of communication with Shanghai, hostilities notwithstanding.

Sutsien, Ku., Mar. 7.

On December 15, 1937, when the people of Sutsien heard that Nanking had fallen, they began fleeing wildly into the country districts. Some days later, a local business man estimated that 80 per cent. of the population had left Sutsien. As time passed and the Japanese did not arrive, the people began moving back into the city. At Chinese New Year, most of the inhabitants had returned, except those who had gone to a considerable distance. Some are in Shensi or Szechuen.

Probably the crisis for this place has been only postponed, not averted; but the people are not so badly excited now as they were in December. It does not appear likely that heavy fighting will develop along this part of the Grand Canal soon, though there are always plenty of rumours. No aeroplanes have been seen here for about a month.

If Hsuchowfu falls, or if the Lunghai Railway is broken, this part of Kiangsu province will probably fall into the hands of the Japanese without a real struggle.

Under the leadership of the Chinese Government, a brave attempt is being made to maintain as many as possible of the ordinary activities of life in order to avoid unnecessary excitement and despair. Many primary schools have been opened for the spring term, but most of the junior middle schools are closed. Public school funds are scarce and hard to obtain, and many of the middle school boys have left their homes. Some of them have entered various kinds of training classes, and some have gone west to avoid the war.

New Communications

Lines of communication have been re-opened. Launches are now running on the Grand Canal, from Yuinho Station on the Lunghai Railway to Sutsien, and from Sutsien to Tsingkiangpu. A bus line is operating from Hsuchowfu through Sutsien to Tsingkiangpu, making the entire journey of 150 miles in one day. Until recently, it required two days. The new rock road between Suchowfu and Sutsien was not quite completed when work was stopped some weeks since. The rock surface has been put on 70 miles of this road, leaving 8 miles of earth surface. There is no rock surface between this place and Tsinkiangpu. Prices on bus and launch lines are higher now than formerly, it costs $8.90 to ride 150 miles. The buses are always crowded to suffocation, and frequently some of those who wish to ride fail to get on. Many of the passengers are soldiers or officers. On frosty mornings, very few of the buses will start without being towed or pushed. It seems to be customary for each terminal station to keep on hand one machine which can be started by man power, then it takes the other machines in tow, one by one, and starts them. Sometimes, when a bus stops along the way, it must wait for a military truck to come along and start it, by pushing or towing. This plan of operation is reasonably satisfactory, unless some of the passengers should happen to be in a hurry.

In Touch With Shanghai

For some weeks past, a route has been open from Sutsien to Shanghai, but it is not a very easy one. It includes bus and launch lines, with many stops and transfers, delays and expenses, from this city to Nantungchow, where one can board a river steamship for Shanghai. Many business men are now using this route, bringing in small quantities of goods from Shanghai. The cost of transportation makes local prices of imported goods very high.

The kerosene oil companies are not bringing up oil now so local merchants are taking advantage of this opportunity to buy oil in Shanghai and bring it into the interior. For a time, kerosene was selling at $11 or more per five gallon tin in Sutsien City, and $15 in country towns. Now the Sutsien price is less than $8, compared with the normal price of $5.20, prevailing last fall. The total amount of kerosene coming in is considerable. Even if the supply should be entirely cut off, the people would not be left in darkness. Some enterprising tinners have been making and selling vegetable oil lamps, which give fairly good light, though they have no chimneys. This part of the country produces an almost unlimited quantity of bean oil and peanut oil.

Telegrams are sent from Sutsien to Shanghai, via Hongkong, the time of delivery being altogether uncertain. Sometimes unexpected speed is developed. A few weeks since, a telegram was sent from Kuling to Sutsien, and the reply reached Kuling within eight hours for the round trip. On the other hand, some telegrams require ten days to make the journey one way.

Mail is slowly coming through from Shanghai. Letters are said to come via Nantungchow and Tsingkiangpu, in ten to 20 days. Other classes of mail from Shanghai come via Hongkong, Hankow, Chengchow, etc., in one to two months. Of course this is much better than not coming at all, and the postal authorities are to be commended for maintaining the service, fast or slow, under such conditions.

The local newspaper has recently reported two cases of kidnapping, about eight or 10 miles from this city. Both victims are children. Such crimes are likely to increase, especially so if the civil authority is broken down by the war.

Weather Conditions

At the beginning of March, the weather was rather warm for a time, then a gentle rain fell for some days so the wheat looks quite green and fresh. Yesterday evening, a heavy snow fell. Of course, most of it melted at once but the ground was well covered. Practically all of this snow has disappeared during the day today. North Kiangsu is subject to dry weather in the spring, so this rain is favourable for the wheat. If the weather continues warm, spring planting will soon begin.

The weird chanting of the ploughmen is heard as they urge their weary oxen and donkeys along the furrows. Unfortunately, the music is frequently interrupted by fervent imprecations, and sundry unprintable remarks casting reflections upon the character and reputation of the ancestresses of said domestic animals. The general theory seems to be that animals will not do their work properly unless driven to it and kept at it by this public recital of the seamy side of their family history.

Briton Killed, Ships Hit by Bombs in Nationalist Air Raid on Valencia

Three Other British Sailors Injured: Casualties Heavy; Insurgent Forces Continue to Advance

Valencia, Apr. 26.

Four Britons were among the eighty casualties suffered at Valencia yesterday morning during a visit by three Nationalist planes. One of the sailors was killed, while the other three were injured.

The dead man belonged to the crew of the British steamer Stanlake, which was lying in the harbour along with the British steamer Celtic. The three Britons injured were members of the crew of the Celtic.

Altogether twenty persons were killed and sixty others injured as a result of the raid.—Reuter.

Two British Ships Hit

Hendaye, Apr. 25.

Twenty powerful Nationalist bombers, protected by forty swift fighting planes, bombed Valencia and Castellon today, killing hundreds and hitting two British ships in Valencia harbour.

The bombers killed more than 100 in Valencia and wounded many. It was feared that casualties in Castellon would be extremely high, although exact figures were unobtainable at present.

Two British ships in the Valencia harbour were caught amid the hail of deadly bombs. The Stanlake and the Celtic Star, which flew the Union Jack, were hit and it was reported that they were sinking. At least one member of the crew was killed while three were wounded.

Rescuers in Valencia worked hard and long, aided by the light from fires started by incendiary bombs.

Land War Continues

Nationalist infantry forces hammered at Republican lines on three widely separated points.

The Nationalist column continuing the drive down the coastal highway killed some 4,000 Republicans at the battle of Alcala de Chisbert and went beyond Alcoceter, it was reported.

Another column left Tremp and advanced fifteen miles east enroute to Seo de Urgel on the French border, it was claimed.

The third force, concentrated in the south of the central front, was making rapid progress after taking Eastern Sierra del Poro and south Aliago.

Reports from Alcala de Chisbert said the Republicans there formed what amounted to a human wall and maintained a strong defence in the face of furious machine-gun fire until their ranks were destroyed.—United Press.

International Brigade

Madrid, Apr. 26.

The headquarters of the International Brigade at Albacete were dissolved yesterday. The headquarters had been stationed at Albacete since 1936. All recruits and the entire technical and administrative apparatus left Albacete for a not revealed destination.—Trans-Ocean.

Non-Intervention Board

London, Apr. 26.

The work of the Non-Intervention Board is to continue without contributions by Soviet Russia, it was announced here last night. This is a result of Britain, Germany and Italy agreeing to resume their contributions, which were suspended in consequence of the Soviet's refusal in October to continue its contributions.—Reuter.

U.S. Bankruptcy Act Upheld by Court

Invalidated Statute Replaced By New One

Washington, Apr. 25.

The Supreme Court by a vote of six to two today affirmed the constitutionality of the new Municipal Bankruptcy Act, replacing the act which the court invalidated in 1936.

Observers believed that the new statute was carefully drawn up to meet any possible court objections.—United Press.

Anglo-Eire Agreement Hailed

Irish State to Undertake Own Coastal Defences: Financial Arrangement Ends Long Trade "War"

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

OFFICIAL Irish circles welcome the Anglo-Irish accord signed in London yesterday as a big step towards a compleater agreement in the future. It is understood that the British Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, played a big part in bringing the Agreement to fruition.

Significance of the Agreement is that it goes far beyond its contents. It is expected that a new Anglo-Irish atmosphere and a new era of friendship and co-operation in matters of common concern will be created. It is expected that the Eire Government will now take over more seriously than it has done in the past the question of defence of the principal ports in Eire.

It is felt that men of goodwill on all sides will concentrate efforts on removing the partition issue, the only remaining obstacle to final conciliation of the two peoples, and that Irishmen in North Ireland will participate in the work of appeasement.

The view of the Irish delegation is that Great Britain has nothing to lose and everything to gain from a free, independent Ireland. They point to the repeated declarations by Mr. Eamon de Valera, President of the Eecutive Council of the Irish Free State, that Eire will not be permitted to be used as a base of attack against Great Britain, and that Eire will defend her sovereignty against all comers.

U.S. Interest Influential

The question of defence, it is pointed out, is not a question of paper bargains, but of each country acting in its own interests, which are joint interests.

As a result of the transfer to Eire of coast defence stations, which the United Kingdom is unconditionally evacuating, Eire will formulate her own defence policy, though there will possibly be some consultation or co-ordination with Great Britain.

Irish circles regard the friendly interest of the United States as an important factor in making the agreement possible.

They pay tribute to Mr. Neville Chamberlain, without whose help no agreement could have been made, and to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Dominions, without whom the negotiations could never have been begun.

Terms of Agreement

The Agreement shows that a complete financial settlement has been reached. It also provides for the transfer to Eire of coast defence stations, which the United Kingdom is unconditionally evacuating.

Eire will pay £10,000,000 to the United Kingdom by November 30 as a financial settlement of all financial claims of either Government against the other. Eire will continue to make an annual payment of £250,000 in respect of damage to property, as provided under the Agreement of December, 1925.

All British penal duties against Eire, and the corresponding duties imposed by Eire on the United Kingdom, are abolished. In effect, there is a complete termination of financial and economic disputes.

Trade Agreement

A trade agreement provides for admission of Eire goods free of Customs duties (other than revenue duties) into United Kingdom markets, with certain provisions for quantitative regulation of imports and agricultural products.

Eire guarantees to continue the right of free entry for a considerable number of United Kingdom goods which now enter free. The most important of these is coal. Eire undertakes to put a duty on foreign coal, and to make immediate reductions in its protective duties on United Kingdom goods. There will be immediate reductions in the tariffs on 25 items.

The Prices Commission of Eire undertakes to review the protective duties against United Kingdom goods, and so far as they operate against the United Kingdom, will cut them to a level which will give United Kingdom producers full opportunity of reasonable competition while giving Eire industries adequate protection, having regard to the relative costs of economic production. Special consideration will be given to Eire industries not fully established.

Three-year Tariff Truce

Undoubtedly there will be heavy reductions in the tariffs on United Kingdom goods, and the United Kingdom can ask the Eire Government to request the Prices Commission to give priority to any duty, and British manufacturers can argue before the Commission.

The existing preference bargains for United Kingdom goods is preserved. The trade agreement will last for three years, after which it is subject to six months' notice by either side.

The agreement is subject to confirmation by both parliaments.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, will make a statement on the subject in the House of Commons today, and the necessary bill will be passed as soon as possible.

Press Comment on Eire Agreement

Belfast Bitter Over London "Surrender:" Dublin Satisfied

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

The entire British press welcomes the Anglo-Irish Agreement with the exception of the "Daily Mail," which carries no comment.

The general attitude is that positive gains will outweigh possible losses, of which the return of the naval bases are held potentially to be the most serious item.

The "Daily Herald" says: "The real wisdom of the pact is that it does not lay down conditions for the future but contents itself with removing the causes of friction."

"The most valuable feature," the "Telegraph" says, "is the good will to which the Agreement testifies and the presumption of good faith which it connotes."

The paper presumes that the Admiralty agreed to the "rather startling renunciation" of the West Coast naval base, pointing out that there is nothing specific in the agreement which binds Ireland to maintain the ports' defences in effective condition. And for this, it says, Britain is bound to rely on the good will of future Irish Governments, which can only be assumed.

"It is difficult to overlook, in possible circumstances, that the Navy may suffer a very real handicap," but, "if the Agreement fails, the position will not be made worse, while if it succeeds, it may mark the re-entry of an Irish Dominion into the comity of the Empire."

New Era of Confidence

"Mr. de Valera, Mr. Macdonald, and their colleagues," declares the "News-Chronicle," "deserve the warmest congratulations—the genuine friendship of the whole country is worth far more than the barren right to occupy a few ports surrounded by possible unfriendly territory. We have only one regret—that obstinacy on both sides postponed the agreement for six years."

"The Times" writes: "The agreements signed yesterday mark the beginning of a new era of confidence and appeasement in Anglo-Irish relations. Whatever criticisms may be levelled at the transfer of British naval and military rights to the Eire Government, the political advantages appear altogether to outweigh any implicit technical disadvantages.

Methods Praised

"The enumeration of the political and economic advantages of the three agreements does not exhaust their importance. In a period in the world's history in which reason and legality have been repeatedly overborne by emotional violence, a rational and legal settlement of a long-standing dispute is an eminently refreshing spectacle. The statesmen responsible for this success deserved well of their countries."

The "Manchester Guardian" says: "The Agreement makes no open advance towards the removal of the Free State's most acute grievance—partition. This is a great disappointment but it will not be ignored that the agreement has healing qualities. "If Dublin and London come closer together, it is natural that Dublin and Belfast also come closer."

Belfast Disappointed

Belfast papers in general show disappointment over the Agreement.

The "Northern Whig" says: "The defence agreement is not an agreement but a surrender in the matter of treaty ports. The British Government acted with almost reckless generosity."

"The pact leaves the major issue of partition untouched," says the "Irish News." "Accordingly the Agreement must be regarded at the first-fruits, and no more, for the conciliation policy."

In Dublin the agreement is generally welcomed.

"Ireland has no foreign enemies and therefore needs no such defences," says the "Irish Independent," referring to the naval bases. "We challenge Mr. de Valera to state definitely the soonest these fortifications can be abandoned and destroyed."

The "Irish Press" says: "The Agreements do not affect partition and Mr. de Valera made it clear that there can be no satisfactory settlement until that great injustice is remedied—but the Agreements were the best obtainable in the circumstances and will be hailed with joy by the Irish."

"The Agreements," says the "Irish Times," "will prove to be an outstanding milestone on the road leading to the goal of every Irish patriot."—Reuter.

Truck-Driver Sentenced

For misappropriating a truck owned by his Japanese employer, Woo Myo-kung, a driver, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment at the First Special District Court yesterday morning. According to the prosecution, the truck had been used for the transportation of foodstuffs between Shanghai and Nanking by one Masao Hayashi. The vehicle broke down at Quinsan on March 3, when the driver was told to have it repaired. Instead, he rented it to two merchants. Another Japanese named Yamanaka demanded the return of the truck and in the ensuing argument when the two were taken to a police station, the real ownership of the vehicle was established. Yamanaka was handed over to the Japanese Consular Police.

Symbolic Mark of New Anglo-Eire Esteem

Mr. Chamberlain Makes Gift to Mr. de Valera

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

An interesting event in connection with the signing of the Anglo-Irish Agreement was a gift presented to Mr. Eamon de Valera, the Eire leader, by the British Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

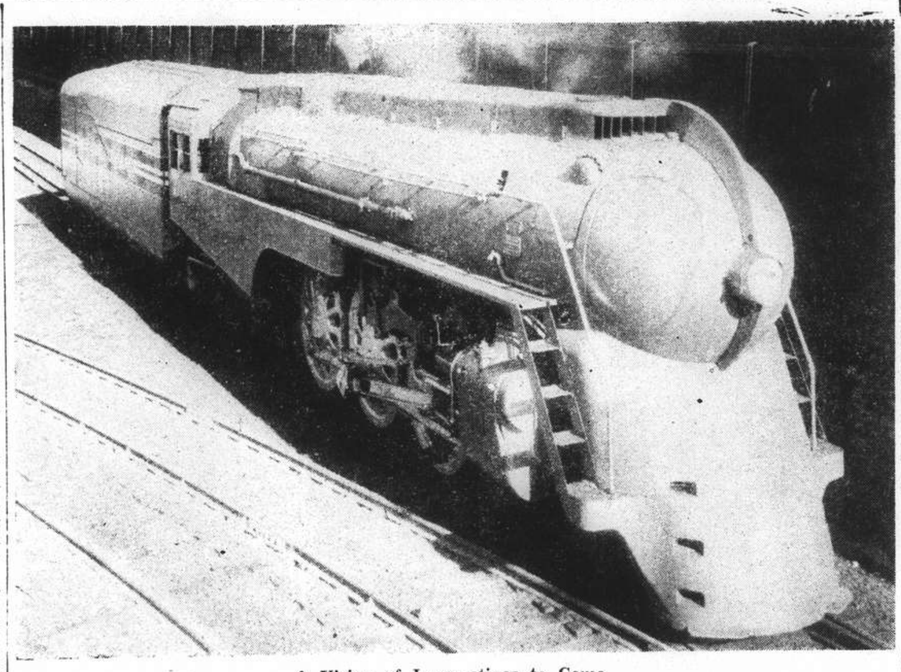
This consisted of a pair of field-glasses which the Eire leader handed over when surrendering his garrison to British troops.

The field-glasses were received by a British military officer, who kept them until recently, when he sent them to Mr. Chamberlain.—Reuter.

Gen. Charles Dawes

New York, Apr. 26.

Gen. Charles Dawes, former Vice-President of the United States and originator of the Dawes Reparations Plan, underwent an operation yesterday for acute appendicitis.—Reuter.



A Vision of Locomotives to Come

In all its gleaming, streamlined beauty is the first of the ten Great Hudson type locomotives which will provide the power for the new 20th Century Limited between New York and Chicago, built at Schenectady, New York, the locomotive develops more than 4,700 cylinder horse power at 75 miles an hour in road tests, and a pull of 17,500 lb. at 80 miles an hour which is approximately 30 per cent. higher than the drawbar pull exerted by previous Hudson type engines at the same speed.

OBITUARY

Sir Guy Dawber

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 25.

Sir Guy Dawber, Vice-President and Chairman of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England, died today.

Sir Guy, who was an architect and from 1925 to 1927 was President of the Royal Institute of British Architects, specialized in laying out and designing gardens. He was made an A.R.A. in 1927 and was knighted in 1936.—Reuter.

Mr. George Grey Barnard

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

New York, Apr. 25.

Mr. George Grey Barnard, the noted American sculptor, died today at the age of 74. He was professor of sculpture in the Art Students' League of New York.

His principal works included "Brotherly Love," "Urn of Life (19 figures in marble); "Youth;" "Mother and Angel;" "Christ;" and busts of Abram S. Hewitt, Blair Thaw (poet), and Dr. Leeds of Stevens Institute.—Reuter.

M. Raymond de La Tailhede

Montpellier, Apr. 25.

M. Raymond de La Tailhede, well-known French poet, died here today at the age of 71.

He was connected with "L'Action Francaise," royalist organ, and was the life-long friend of Charles Mauras, famous poet and one of the founders of "L'Action Francaise."—Havas.

Lord MacGregor Mitchell

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 25.

The Hon. Lord MacGregor Mitchell, Rector of St. Andrew's University, died today while presiding over a meeting of the University Court.—Reuter.

Sir Robert Williams

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 25.

Sir Robert Williams, the famous pioneer, died here today at the age of 78.

After studying engineering in Aberdeen, Sir Robert Williams went to Kimberley at the age of 21, and worked for 20 years with the late Cecil Rhodes, with whom he formed the Zambesia Exploring Company. He financed the last section of the Cape to Cairo Railway through British territory to Southern Congo Frontier, and also financed the Benguela Railway.—Reuter.

M. Udrzal

Prague, Apr. 25.

The death is announced of the former Czechoslovakian Premier, M. Udrzal, who reached an age of 72. He had been elected to the Austrian Reichsrat in 1897 and became the first Minister of National Defence after the creation of the new Czechoslovakian State in 1918. This post he held seven years. M. Udrzal succeeded M. Svehla as Premier in 1929 and remained in office three years, resigning after the Parliamentary elections in October, 1932.—Trans-Ocean.

International Red Cross

The Shanghai International Red Cross wishes to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following donations April 17-24 inclusive:

All donations should be sent to the Director's Office, 505 Honan Road.

Previously acknowledged	$1,651,074.05
American Advisory Committee	17,977.21
China Emergency Medical Relief Committee, Honolulu	10,003.63
Through the Chinese Women's Club, Shanghai (designated for hospital of the Nantao Zone)	2,144.01
Mr. and Mrs. Y. F. Foung	500.00
Miss Mabel C. Gage	258.75
A Washington Friend per Dr. Sao-Ke	179.37
Birthday Offerings from Huang Tso Wen	162.74
C. H. Kao	40.00
Mrs. Martha N. Jacobson	37.72
Willis Jourdan Jr.	25.00
John P. Minter	25.00
George's Bar	14.00
In Memory of Mrs. Li Ming Kwei Yen Fong	20.00
In Memory of Dr. Herman C. E. Liu:	
T. K. Ho	10.00
and a number of smaller donations.	
Save A Life A Month Club (16 remittances)	393.54
	$1,682,867.98

Argentine Notes Empire

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 25.

Argentina has recognized the Italian conquest of Ethiopia, the Argentine Foreign Office officially announced today.—United Press.

China's Universities Razed During War

1,500,000 Young Orphans Claimed Left by Battle

London, Apr. 25.

About half of China's unversities have been systematically destroyed by the Japanese in the present Sino-Nipponese hostilities, declared Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Ambassador in London, speaking before a meeting of professors gathered by the League of Nations Union today. He said that 25 colleges have been razed, while a large number of primary and secondary schools have also been destroyed.—Havas.

China's Million Orphans

Geneva, Apr. 25.

The problem of the world's orphans came up for discussion by the Consulting Committee on Social Questions of the League of Nations today. Dr. Hoo, representing China at the meeting, declared that there are some 1,500,000 children under fifteen years of age who have lost their parents and their homes as a result of the present Sino-Japanese hostilities. He said the Chinese authorities are now trying to remedy the situation.—Havas.

MARKET PRICES

The following prices are the maximum for best cut or grade obtainable in Central and Western Markets on April 26, 1938. Prices are quoted per lb. in Shanghai dollar-cents unless otherwise stated.

PUTCHER'S MEAT

Beef	60-1.30	Pork	30-40
Veal	50-1.20	Mutton	30-60

FISH

Mackerel	50	Shimps	50
Lobster	70	Carp	40
Prawns	5-9	Mandarin	50
Conger Eel	20	Salmon	40
White bait	15	Cod	30
Yellow fish	10-20	Pomfret	25
Soles	25	Samli	50
Cuttle Fish	16		

POULTRY, GAME AND EGGS

Curlew	30	Wild Pigeon	20
Pigeon	30	Fowl	60
Sea snipe	20	Spring Chicken	63
Duck ea.	1.00-2.00	Snipe	20
Rabbits lb.	30	Turkey	50
Duck eggs	40-48	Woodcock ea.	50
Egg doz.	36-65	Goose ea.	1.20-3.00

VEGETABLES

B'boo shoots	20	Cauliflower	40
Beans, French	25	Ch. Onions	8-12
Beetroot	25	Young Carrots	5
Big marrow	20	Lettuce	30
Cucumber	40	Onions Amer.	20
Celery bunch	10	Green Peas	25
Cabbage	10	Brussal Sprout	80
Carrots bunch	5	Onions, spr.	8
Broad beans	15	Parships	5
Chilies	25	Potatoes	8
Egg-plant	25	Potatoes, sweet	6
Endive, each	50	Peattoes, new	20
Garlic	15	Red Cabbages ea	50
Ginger	15	Spinach	8
Green Pepper	30	Tomatoes	50
Horse radish	12	Turnips	8
Leeks, bunch	6	Fresh beans	25

FRUIT

Mango	20	Oranges	14-16
Australian pear	50	Bananas	8-10
Grape Fruit ea.	25	U. S. Oranges	1.25
U.S. apples	30	Chestnuts	20
Australian apple	45	Chinese pears	12-20
Lemon ea.	15-20	Pine apple ea.	10
Pumelo	20-25	Cherry	30
Chetoo apple	20-25		

GRAIN AND FLOUR

Aus. Flour 49lb.	6.75	Rice 220 lb.	$15.80
Can. Flour 48lb.	7.25	U.S. Flour 49lb	9.50
Chi. Flour 50lb.	4.27		

MILK

Grade 'A' T.T.	33-38 cents per pint.
Grade 'A'	25-40 cents per pint.
Grade 'B'	20-25 cents per pint.

FODDER

Bran	114lb.	2.00 Barley	6.40

FUEL

Best Anthracite (metric tons)	$42
No. 1 House Coal	32
No. 1 Kitchen Coal	30
Firewood 8 Bundles	$1.00
Charcoal (per 35 lb Basket)	2.00

Soviet Consuls Leave

Tsuruga, Apr. 26.

Soviet Consuls in Otaru, Hokkaido and here left this port for Vladivostok today in the Siberia Maru. Their consulates in the three cities were closed in pursuance of Moscow's decision to reduce the number of its consulates in Japan and of Japanese consulates in Russia to the bare minimum.

The Soviet order to the Japanese Consulates-General in Khabarovsky and Blagoveschensk to close by April 15 formed the subject of Japanese representations a fortnight ago.—Domei.

Subsidiary Notes

Peiping, Apr. 26.

With a view to exercising control over currency of smaller denominations, the Federal Reserve Bank of China will shortly issue subsidiary notes of 50 cents, 20 cents and 10 cents. Such notes will appear on the market about the middle of May. The subsidiary notes issued by other banks will not be withdrawn from circulation.—Reuter.

S.M.C. Committees

The constitution of committees of the Shanghai Municipal Council for the municipal year 1938-1939 is as follows:—

Finance Committee.—Messrs. Chen Che-chen, C. S. Franklin, T. Funatsu, Yulin Hsi, Singloh Hsu, W. J. Keswick, V. St. J. Killery, F. N. Matthews, G. E. Mitchell and T. Sugisaka.

Watch Committee.—Messrs. F. S. Hsu, Eugene Y. B. Kiang, W. J. Lee, R. G. MacDonald, Brig.-Gen. E. B. Macnaghten, Messrs. G. E. Mitchell, O. Okamoto, W. H. Plant, K. Satoh and Yu Ya-ching.

Works Committee.—Dr. F. G. Ede, Messrs. Zee Yin Hao, Yulin Hsi, J. H. Keswick, K. Kuroda, W. J. Lee, F. N. Matthews, O. Okamoto, W. H. Plant and T. S. Powell.

Staff Committee.—Messrs W. Gockson, W. J. Keswick, Eugene Y. B. Kiang, R. G. MacDonald, F. N. Matthews, G. E. Mitchell, O. Okamoto, W. H. Plant, L. T. Yuan and Yu Ya-ching.

Public Utilities Committee.—Messrs. Yulin Hsi, Eugene Y. B. Kiang, W. J. Keswick, S. Francis Liu, Brig.-Gen. E. B. Macnaghten, Messrs. F. N. Matthews, G. E. Mitchell, W. H. Plant, T. K. Tsutsumi and Zurtin Zao.

Health Committee.—Dr. A. C. Bryson, Dr. P. T. Chow, Messrs. W. Gockson, G. A. Haley, K. Kuroda, S. Francis Liu, Brig.-Gen. E. B. Macnaghten, Dr. E. L. Marsh and Mr. G. Miyazaki.

Orchestra and Band Committee.—Messrs. Eric G. Clarke, Ch. Grosbois, E. G. MacDonald and J. S. Potter.

Library Committee.—Mrs. C. S. F. Harris, Tzu Huang, L. de Luca, R. Franklin, Mr. Singloh Hsu, Capt. C. F. Hutchins, Dr. Y. H. Ou, Mrs. A. W. Sherriff, Messrs. Tseu Yih-Zan and E. S. Wilkinson.

Education Board.—Mr. C. R. Bennett, Mrs. Lancelot Giles, Messrs. W. J. Hawkings, Yulin Hsi, K. H. Ling, R. G. MacDonald, T. Sugisaka, Dr. Shelley Sun and Mr. L. T. Yuan.

Rate Assessment Committee.—Messrs. H. Berents, James H. Lee, H. F. Lewis, S. Mizuta, A. P. Nazer and L. T. Yuan.

Land Commission.—Messrs. H. Berents, Erik Crone, T. Z. King, Pehan Li, R. D. K. Silby, and E. A. Long (Secretary).

Board of Film Censors.—Major K. M. Bourne, Messrs. Theodore C. Chang, H. Ellis, A. Hartmann, Mrs. C. T. Hutchins, Messrs. King Chien-kun, L. de Lanca, Mrs. Ryuko Miyoshi, Dr. G. Sellett and Mr. K. D. Tsze.

Victoria Nurses' Home Administrative Committee (Council's Representatives).—Mr R. G. MacDonald, Brig.-Gen. E. B. Macnaghten, and Mr. F. N. Matthews.

Mercy Hospital Board of Governors (Council's Representatives).—Messrs. C. R. Bennett and P. W. Massey.

German Pastors Take Oath to Fuehrer

Evangelical Churchmen Must Swear Fealty

Berlin, Apr. 26.

Evangelical pastors and officials will be required to take the oath to the Fuehrer of the Reich, stipulates a decree issued by the Evangelical Higher Church Council, this measure being one necessitated by the religious administration.

The decree provides that every candidate of an Evangelical Church ministry must take the following oath as prescribed by the German civil service law: "I swear that I will be loyal and obedient to the Fuehrer of the German Reich and nation Adolf Hitler and that I will respect the laws and discharge my official duties conscientiously; so help me, God."

Whoever refuses to take this oath is to be dismissed from office. Where a pastor has not yet been sworn in this will now follow.

According to this decree, Evangelical pastors are unequivocally made servants of the state. In Mecklenburg and Thuringia this measure has already been put into effect. Steps will now be taken in the territory of the Old Prussian Union and the province of Saxony to do the same.—Trans-Ocean.

Russian Girl Refugee Returning Here

Mrs. J. Rodd Moffett Not to Adopt Her

Chicago, Apr. 25.

Mrs. J. Rodd Moffett, well-known Shanghai resident, today denied reports that she had any intention to adopt Mary Cherniatzeva, seven-year-old Russian girl refugee from Shanghai who is staying with her at her home here.

Mrs. Moffet, anxious to correct an impression in Shanghai that she had intended to adopt the little girl, said, "I have no intention of adopting Mary. I merely took her into my home. She will return with us to Shanghai late this summer."

Mr. and Mrs. Moffett took Mary into their home after she had travelled alone from China, leaving Shanghai during the height of the hostilities.

Mary is learning to play basketball at present and is enjoying learning in American schools, although she is looking forward to returning to Shanghai.

The little girl told the United Press that she was anxious to tell her Shanghai friends how she had learned to skate. She now speaks perfect English and in addition to her knowledge of her native Russian, she has acquired French.—United Press.

German Doctors in Shanghai

Medical Corps Expert on Poison Gas Antidote; Now Experiments Possible

Lieut.-Col. Dr. Otto Muntsch, of the German Army Medical Corps, who was a delegate to the quadrennial assembly of the Japan Medical Society in Kyoto early this month, arrived in Shanghai yesterday afternoon en route to Germany.

Today, he will call on Vice-Admiral Kiyoshi Hasegawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese China Seas fleet, and General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Force in Central China. A banquet in his honour will be given tonight by Japanese military authorities here.

The German medical officer and his party are to visit the recent battlefields in the Shanghai area under the guidance of a Japanese military officer.

Poison Gas Antidote

At the Kyoto conference on April 11 Dr. Muntsch told the 2,000 delegates that German scientists had made important discoveries in their search for an antidote for poison gas.

"After twenty years of hard research we are on the track of a way to cure the after-effects of poison gas'" he said.

No specific therapy is known, he stated, despite the many years of research pursued in Germany and other countries. Scientists recently discovered, however, that poison gas has the same effect on animals as on humans, and this, Dr. Muntsch told the delegates, made it possible for the first time to conduct laboratory experiments.

He said the experiments had proven that tuberculosis is not caused by poison gas, but that it becomes more malignant if the patient is gassed. Men who have been gassed cannot be efficient aviators, he declared, because they are highly susceptible to changes in atmospheric pressure, which may cause bleeding or stop circulation.

Training Squadron Arrives Today

Japanese Cadets to Spend Four Days in Shanghai

Japanese "Admirals of Tomorrow" will arrive here today aboard the obsolete cruisers Iwate and Yakumo, comprising the Japanese Navy's Training Squadron, the "Shanghai Nippon" reported.

The Squadron, commanded by Rear-Admiral Shiro Takasu, will remain here for four days. On Friday, when the Japanese Empire celebrates Emperor Hirochito's 37th birthday, the band of the squadron will march through the streets north of Soochow Creek. The cruisers are to leave here on Saturday for an undisclosed destination.

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Franco-Italian Talks Interrupted

Count Ciano Absent for King Zogu's Wedding

Paris, Apr. 25.

Taking the opportunity offered by the break in Franco-Italian negotiations, necessitated by the Italian Foreign Minister's departure for King Zogu's wedding ceremonies, M. Jules Blondel, French Charge d'Affaires in Rome, will come to Paris tomorrow morning to confer with the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet. The trip was arranged to permit an exchange of the latest information on the Franco-Italian parleys initiated a few days ago before M. Bonnet leaves for London to meet British statesmen there.

M. Blondel has already given Count Galeazzo Ciano, the French Government's Note listing the problems that France wished to discuss with Italy in conversations to precede the naming of a French Ambassador to Italy.

Count Ciano could make no immediate reply as he had to consult Signor Benito Mussolini, but at the reception offered in honour of the British War Secretary, the Rt. Hon. Leslie Hore-Belisha, when he visited Rome last week, Count Ciano told M. Blondel that he would soon be able to reply favourably on certain points in the Note.

The Franco-Italian parleys will be resumed in three days' time but will be broken off temporarily again when Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler visits Rome on his May 3 to May 9 trip.—Havas.

Peace is By-Product Of Fellowship

Mr. Kenneth Lindsay Speaks At Teacher's Conference

London, Apr. 25.

Mr. Kenneth Lindsay, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education, speaking in London today at the International Conference of Teachers convened by the League of Nations Union, said the acquisition of knowledge and the development of the mind were excellent things, but they would not guarantee that human beings would live at peace with their neighbours, nor did they necessarily imply tolerance or truthful dealings between peoples.

The making and keeping of peace, he said, in the long run, was dependent on the sentiments, knowledge and behaviour of ordinary men and women. The forging of good international relations was not prerogative of Foreign Offices or Embassies. There was no quick and no quack way to goodwill.

Fellowship, he asserted, was the reality, and peace arrived almost unawares as a by-product.—Wireless through Reuter.

President Roosevelt Seeks Tax Equity

Rich People Ought Not to Be Specially Exempt

Washington, Apr. 25.

President Roosevelt asked Congress today for prompt enactment of a "short and simple statute" to subject both state and federal securities and salaries to income taxation.

The President said he believed the recent trend of Supreme Court decisions indicated the exemptions from taxation could be ended through a statute without the necessity of a constitutional amendment.

Men of great means invested in securities which were exempt from taxation, President Roosevelt declared. "A fair, effective and progressive income tax and a huge, perpetual reserve of tax-exempt bonds cannot exist side by side," he said.

He pointed out that the language of the Sixteenth Amendment on Income Taxes plainly authorized Congress specifically "to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever sources derived."

He also said that courts have not agreed on the interpretation of the Sixteenth Amendment. This he said, resulted in the creation of a "vast reservoir of tax-exempt securities in the hands of the very persons who equitably should not be relieved of taxes on income.....it is a serious menace to fiscal systems of both the states and the nation.—United Press.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE Ta Tao City Government of Shanghai will shortly open a "Fish Tax Bureau," says a report to the "Standard."

OWING to unavoidable circumstances the concert arranged by the Musical and Dramatic Section of the B.W.A. has been postponed, and the later date will be notified to members.

GERMAN subjects from May 21 onwards, will require visas to travel in Britain. This re-establishes the system abandoned only temporarily during the Anschluss exodus.

A JAPANESE detachment of the Tsuda command, numbering more than 100 men, moved into the premises of the District Court in Nantao on April 23, says a message to the "Standard."

MISS Jeanne E. Farmer is sailing in the ss. Empress of Canada on May 2, on a combined busines and pleasure trip to her home in Richmond, Virginia, via Honolulu and Canada. She expects to return in September.

THE Municipal Council has been notified that Mr. C. E. Gauss, American Consul-General, having been granted home leave, handed over charge of the American Consul-General to Consul-General Frank P. Lockhart on April 25.

THE local Head Post Office announces that the Wutsin (Changchow, Ku.) Post Office has been reopened and that ordinary, registered, and express mail articles as well as parcels for that place may now be accepted for posting.

HIGH officers of the local Inspectorate of Customs and Post Office have denied a persistent report that the two organs will be taken over by the "Reformed Government" in Nanking on May 1, says a report to the "Ta Wan Pao."

DR. Woermann, who has been Counsellor and Chargé d'Affaires at the German Embassy in London for the past two years, left London on Monday night for Berlin to take up his new appointment as head of the Political Department of the German Foreign Office.

THE Vice-Minister of Economics, Dr. Franklin Ho, was to leave Chungking for Kweiyang by car yesterday, states a dispatch to the "Sin Wan Pao." While in Kweiyang, says the report, Dr. Ho will attend to the affairs of the Farm Credits Bureau in Kweichow province.

THE Chairman of the National Government, Mr. Lin Sen, gave an address on the "Meaning of the Issue of the National Defence Bonds and the Gold Bonds" at the weekly Sun Yat-sen memorial meeting held in Chungking on Monday, states a message to the "Morning Leader."

MR. Shinrokuro Hidaka, Japanese Consul-General, will give a reception on Friday in honour of the 37th birthday anniversary of Emperor Hirohito. The reception will be held at Mr. Hidaka's official residence, 128 Seymour Road, between 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

LEON Degrelle, leader of the Belgian Rexist movement, has won his appeal against the Brussels Law Court verdict which had ordered him to pay a fine of 25,000 Francs for alleged libel of the leader of the Flemish Catholic Party, M. Cauwelaert. The court rescinded the fine.

THE Legislative Yuan, at a meeting held on Monday, passed the Bill for the Organization of the People's Assembly and the Bill for the Issue and Amortization of the National Defence Bonds of 1938, says a message to the "Standard." The meeting was presided over by the vice-president of the Yuan, Mr. Yeh Chu-tseng.

MR. Liu Shou-chung, an aged member of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, arrived in Hsuchow on Monday, says a wire to the "Sin Wan Pao." Mr. Liu's trip to this North Kiangsu stronghold, the message reports, was well received by local circles who were deeply moved by his public spirit in spite of his advanced age.

THE Chinese Conversational Club of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. will meet this Friday, April 29 at 6.30 p.m. when a Chinese teacher will entertain the members with Chinese stories and jokes. After the meeting those who want to see a Chinese cinema will go to a Chinese theatre. Those interested are welcome to join the "Y" party.

ABBOT Chao Kung announced yesterday that, owing to financial losses resulting from his first lecture, delivered in the Masonic Hall on Monday, he has cancelled the other two which had originally been arranged. Purchasers of tickets for the two cancelled lectures can have their money returned on application to Messrs. Moutrie & Co.

FIELD-MARSHAL Werner von Blomberg, former German Minister of Defence, accompanied by his wife, has arrived at Belawan in North Sumatra, according to a message received in Amsterdam from Medan. Herr von Blomberg is reported to have informed the representative of a Sumatra newspaper that he is on his way to Japan where he intends to make a short sojourn.

MR. H. E. Morriss entertained guests at his home for tea on Monday afternoon to meet Admiral and Mrs. H. E. Yarnell. Those present were—Admiral and Mrs. H. E. Yarnell, Capt. and Mrs. R. F. McConnell, Flag Lieut. and Mrs. J. Sylvester, Mrs. Handley-Derry, Sir Frederick and Lady Maze, Mr. Handley-Derry Jr., Mrs. R. W. Davis, Dr. and Mrs. Way Sheng Zur, and Messrs. S. T. Billing, L. N. Johnson, M. M. Bates and G. A. Efron.

MR. Tsao Chin-ching, the chief representative of tribal warriors in China's western frontier provinces, who recently proceeded to Hankow to interview General Chiang Kai-shek and other National Government authorities, has arrived in Sian on his way back to West China, states a wire to the "Standard." Interviewed, Mr. Tsao said that the border tribes are as patriotic as the people in China Proper and are ready for mobilization when and if the National Government issues such orders.

Ionin, Levitsky Hear Judgment

Case Concluded at First Special District Court; Judgment Tomorrow

Judgment in the case against Moris Levitsky, Joseph Ionin, Michael Paderesvsky, and C. A. Castro, Spanish, was reserved by the First Special District Court yesterday afternoon until tomorrow.

The first two accused were charged with fraud and making the commission of fraud a profession, the third accused was alleged to have assisted in the crime by printing counterfeited drafts and deposit receipts of "Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, Brussels," while the fourth was said to have opened an "Overseas Traders" firm together with Ionin and caused a group of Chinese to give them sums ranging from $800 to $400 for the purchase of "sugar."

Among the witnesses called by the prosecution, conducted by Mr. Paul Y. Ru, municipal advocate, was a British broker, who was said to have given Ionin and Levitsky a total of $9,660. The two accused were said to have approached the broker to have a draft and a deposit transferred to his account in order to avoid the payment of taxes. The money was paid to the two accused, it was said, to have the Bureau of Public Safety to witness Pirogoff's (said to be Ionin's assumed name) signature required on the request to the bank for the transfer of the money.

Ionin's Defence

In his defence, Ionin told the Court that he and the broker had done business together and that at one time they wanted to buy £60,000 worth of shares of a certain steel works through the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. The order was placed in the name of Pirogoff, and there were certain correspondence between the Trust Co. and the Chartered Bank concerning the deal.

At the resumed hearing yesterday afternoon, Mr. Ru told the Court that enquiries were made at the Chartered Bank, where copies of several telegrams were obtained by the Police. One of the telegrams was sent to the Chartered Bank by the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, asking the latter to make enquiries concerning a certain Pirogoff and the nature of business Pirogoff wanted the Trust Co. to handle. The Bank sent a man to a house in Verdun Terrace in Avenue du Roi Albert, where he was told that Pirogoff was not in Shanghai.

It was clear from the Trust Co.'s telegram that the accused had sent a cable, Mr. Ru told the Court. The accused hoped to get a direct reply from the Trust Co. so as to show it to their intended victims that the accused did have certain business with the Trust Co.

More Telegrams

Mr. Ru also told the Court that the accused had sent a telegram to a bank in Batavia, asking for information concerning the procedure to have the signature of the bank's client witnessed in Shanghai.

Asked by the Judge, Ionin said these were not the telegrams he mentioned in his defence. He alleged that the Police did not want to secure evidence favourable to the defence.

The Judge then reminded the accused of other charges filed against him. Ionin replied that the Police based their case on a sheet of roughly printed paper, which nobody could believe to be a bank deposit. In a previous hearing, Ionin, in denying any knowledge of the counterfeited bank deposit, told the Court that if he was responsible for the paper, he would have done a much better job than that.

Mr. Eugene Y. B. Kiang appeared for Ionin, while Mr. Shulingin and Mr. Kolesnichenko represented Levitsky and Paderevsky respectively.

Fake Labels Seized By Police

Five Chinese Printers in District Court

In a raid on a printing plant, a total of 480,000 fake labels of "Pirate" brand cigarettes were seized at 183 Woosung Road on Monday afternoon. Five printers, seized at the place, were all charged with infringement of trademarks at the First Special District Court yesterday. The case was adjourned until next Tuesday.

According to the prosecution, the raid was conducted by a police party headed by Detective Sub-Inspector R. M. Moir. The labels and a lithographic plate were found in the shop.

The plant, called Chung Hua printing company, was said to be owned by a Japanese named Kimura who is at present in Japan on business. Mrs. Kimura, who was in the shop, maintained that she had no knowledge that the Chinese were engaged in illegal business.

The five men charged yesterday were: Wong Chi-foh, said to have been convicted on a similar offence before, Wong Chong-ming, Wong Tsau-yoong, Tsang Hsing-keng and Wong Wei-tsai.

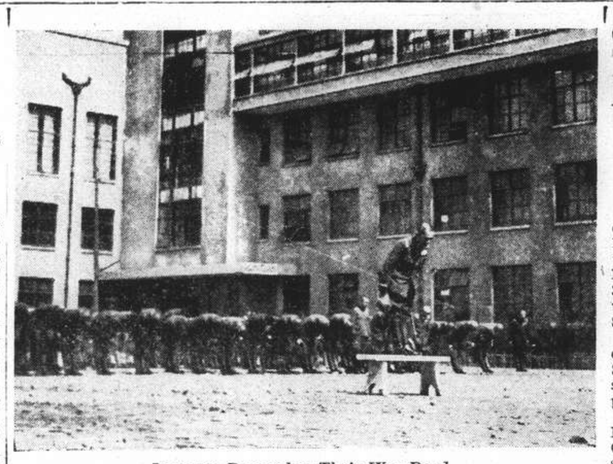
American Woman's Gigantic Task

Attends To 200 Refugees At Nantungchow

Miss Vincoe Mushrush, missionary nurse of the United Christian Missionary Society, who was the only foreigner in the city of Nantung when it was occupied by Japanese on March 17 has under her care some 200 women refugees, and a number of ill and wounded patients. The refugees are living in the building of the Ts'ung Ing Girls' School, which belongs to the mission.

Japanese officers have treated Miss Mushrush with consideration. They have provided guards to protect the refugees and patients from molestation, and have posted notices at the entrance of mission premises which are closed, to warn all persons against unauthorized entry.

It is reported that the Japanese authorities have requested a Chinese doctor in the city who is a graduate of the Medical College of Cheloo University, to head a public health programme for the community.



Japanese Remember Their War Dead

Yesterday morning, when memorial services were being held at the Yasukuni Shrine in Tokyo for 4,533 officers and men killed during the hostilities in China, Japanese residents held similar ceremonies. General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in Shanghai, and Japanese soldiers are seen bowing in the direction of the Imperial Palace in Tokyo.

Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce To be Reorganized by Nanking

"Reformed Government" Minister of Industry Plans Changes; Former Members May Rejoin on Conditions

The intention to reorganize the Chinese Chamber of Commerce here was announced yesterday by Mr. Wang Tze-hui, Minister of Industry in the "Reformed Government," in an interview with Japanese newspapermen. The reorganization, he added, will be completed "within a week or two."

The Shanghai Civic Association, a few of whose leaders have been assassinated by zealous patriots, will simultaneously be disbanded and its officials will become members of the new Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Wang revealed.

The Civic Association, he said, was founded soon after the occupation of the Shanghai area by Japanese troops to maintain a liaison between the Japanese authorities and the Chinese population.

The Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Wang continued, has been controlled by the Ta Tao Government for the past few months, but has remained largely inactive.

The reorganization, he declared, aims at the revival of the commercial organization. Former members of the Chamber may be allowed to join the reconstructed organ, "circumstances permitting."

"The Reformed Government," Mr. Wang admitted, "is deeply interested in the reorganization of the Chamber, in view of the important role played by the latter under the Nationalist Government."

Turning to the problem of the rehabilitation of Kiangsu and Chekiang provinces, Mr. Wang said especial attention will be paid by the "Reformed Government" to the revival of the tea and silk industries.

Special bureaux, he said, will be established to control the production and sale of tea and silk and to give advice to growers on technical improvements and transportation. The bureaux will also give credit facilities to the producers.

"Every effort will be made to accelerate the opening of the Silk and Cocoon Control Bureau," he said "in view of the approach of the marketing season."

Technical experts of the "Reformed Government," Mr. Wang revealed, were to leave for the country yesterday to investigate damage done by war to the tea and silk industries in the two provinces.

Experts, he said, will also be dispatched to investigate the present conditions in agriculture, industry, fishing, forestry and cattle-breeding in the Hangchow and Nanking areas.

When these experts submit their findings, the "Government" will formulate a detailed programme of agricultural and industrial rehabilitation.

The Ministry of Industry, he revealed, will have between 170 and 180 officials, 120 of whom have already been appointed. These will serve in the following sections: General Affairs, Industry and Commerce, Mining, Agriculture and Forestry, Fisheries, and stock-breeding.

Hungjao Telephone Cables Cut

Thieves Sever Main Feed Lines for Third Time In the Past Month

The Hungjao telephone line was disrupted again the whole of yesterday when, for the third time this month, the wire was severed by would-be cable thieves. A repair squad from the Shanghai Telephone Company arrived on the spot in time to save the cables, but the thieves had already fled, apparently on approach of the party.

The cutting of the wires actually happened shortly before midnight on Monday. Suspecting what had happened when a "break" in the wire was reported, a foreign engineer and his assistant immediately went to the Bubbling Well Police Station and reported the matter. He was provided with the services of two Japanese police officers, and contact was established with the Japanese military authorities in charge of the Hungjao area.

A Japanese military escort was provided and the small party set off down Great Western Road. It was found that the cable had been cut at almost the same place as it was on April 13—at a point west of Fraser Road, on the unfinished portion of Great Western Road. A few hundred yards away, a Japanese military post has been established.

On April 13 last, the Telephone Company repair party found that not only had 330 feet of 200 pair cables been taken away but two telephone poles had also been chopped down; no trace of either the cables or the thieves could be found.

Cut Into Lengths

On Monday, however, the party arrived in time to save what was left of the cable. About 200 feet had been severed and lay on the ground, cut up into appropriate lengths to facilitate removal; the telephone poles had not been touched. Apparently, however, the combined party of engineers, police officers and Japanese soldiers arrived on the scene just a little bit too early for the would-be robbers, who were forced to leave hurriedly, with nothing for their pains.

As usual, however, the robbers had tried to steal one of the most important sections of the Hungjao network, for the cables consisted of part of the main feed to the Hungjao Exchange. All telephones west of the railway were put out of commission and, although repairs were being carried out as rapidly as possible, it was not thought likely that the normal service would be resumed until this morning.

A full report on the matter has been sent in, as on the two previous occasions, to the Japanese military authorities who are in charge of the area. Beyond doing this, the Shanghai Telephone Company is helpless in the matter, as the fact that the Shanghai Municipal Police are not permitted to function in that area means that the only protection afforded to the company's cables is by the Japanese authorities.

Ta Tao Chief Becomes Shanghai "Mayor"

Local Municipality Part Of "Reformed Government"

Mr. Hsu Shih-wen, until now Chief Executive of the Ta Tao Government, on Monday became the "Mayor" of Greater Shanghai. Mr Hsu's full official title will now be Chief of the Shanghai Special Municipal Administration of the "Reformed Government of the Republic of China."

The letter of appointment was formally handed to Mr. Hsu at ceremony held at the New Asia Hotel, on N. Szechuen Road, on Monday morning. Later in the day, Mr. Hsu granted an interview to Japanese newspapermen.

With the disbandment of the Ta Tao régime, its yellow flag will be replaced by the five-barred flag of the "Reformed Government," it was stated.

Ss. Patroclus Due Tomorrow

Mentor, Bellerophon Expected on Friday; Oldenburg Due Today

The Blue Funnel ss. Patroclus is expected tomorrow at 3 p.m. at the Holt's Wharf, from Liverpool and way ports. She is to sail for Taku Bar Dairen and Japan ports on April 30, at about 9.30 a.m. The passenger tender leaves the Customs Jetty at 8.30 a.m.

The same company's ss. Mentor is due from Liverpool via ports on Saturday at about 11 a.m. at the same wharf, and is to sail for Japan ports on or about May 1.

Another Blue Funnel ship, the ss. Bellerophon is due on April 29 from Gdynia at the Holt's Wharf. She should sail on the following day Dairen, Kobe and Yokohama.

The Hamburg Amerika Line ss. Oldenburg arrives from Japan today at noon, at buoys Nos. 14-15. Commanded by Captain Arfsten, this ship is to sail for Genoa, Rotterdam and Hamburg, in the morning of April 29. Registered mail intended to catch this vessel should be posted before 2.30 p.m. and ordinary before 3 p.m. tomorrow.

Felix Roussel Due

The M. M. expect their ss. Felix Roussel, from Europe and way ports, on April 29, and announce that this ship is to leave for Kobe on May 2. The D. K. K. ss. Tsingtao Maru is to sail for Tsingtao and Dairen on April 29, at about 11 a.m. The O.S.K. ss. Tyosa Maru sails tomorrow morning for Formosa (Keelung and Takao), from the O.S.K. Wharf. Registered mail intended to catch this ship should be posted before 6.30 p.m., and ordinary before 7 p.m., today.

The N.Y.K. ss. Nagasaki Maru sails for Nagasaki, today at 9 a.m. Ordinary mail intended to catch this ship should be posted before 7.15 a.m.

The latest information received from the local offices of the J. C. J. Line states that their ss. Tjisaroea is due from Dairen, at the K. M. A. Wharf, on April 29, in the morning. She is to leave this wharf at midnight on the same day, sailing for Amoy, Hongkong, Muntok, Batavia, Cheribon, Semarang and Surabaya.

Other Sailings

Jardine Matheson & Co. announce that their ss. Fooshing sails for Tsingtao, Chefoo and Tientsin, from the Roosevelt Terminal Wharf, tomorrow at 11 a.m. The U.S.S.R. and Europe via Siberia registered mail intended to catch this vessel should be posted before 8.30 a.m., the China registered before 9.30 a.m., and ordinary before 10 a.m.

The same company's ss. Tingsang sails from the same wharf, for Chefoo and Tientsin, tomorrow at noon. This steamer will not take any foreign mail. The China registered mail intended to catch this vessel should be posted before 9 a.m., and ordinary before 9.30 a.m.

The B. & S. ss. Sinkiang leaves the French Bund today at about 6 a.m., for Swatow, Hongkong and Canton.

The same company's ss. Hsin Peking sails from the French Bund, for Ningpo, tomorrow at about 3 p.m. Registered mail intended to catch this vessel should be posted before 11.30 a.m., and ordinary before noon.

Another B. & S. vessel, the ss. Tsinan, is to sail for Amoy and Hongkong, tomorrow at about 6 a.m., from the French Bund. Registered and ordinary mail intended to catch this steamer should be posted before 7 p.m., today.

Mrs. Heisterberger and son have arrived in the mv. Ingeren, from Chinwangtao, on April 25.

Mr. E. Btesh and Mr. Carl Foss are sailing today in the ss. Sinkiang, for Hongkong and Swatow.

Municipal Orchestra

The programme for the twenty-sixth Sunday Symphony Concert in the Lyceum Theatre, on Sunday, May 1, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Overture ..... "Rosamunde"
Symphony in B minor ("The Unfinished") ..... Franck
The "Wanderer Fantasy" for Piano and Orchestra
Soloist: Tamara Bourkoun
Symphonic Poem ..... "The Accursed Hunter"
"Variations Symphoniques" for Piano and Orchestra
Soloist: Tamara Bourkoun

Two Robbers Jailed

Chiang Vee-chuen and Tseu Pah-hwa, two armed robbers arrested by Chengtu Road Police after a shooting affray in Avenue Edward VII on March 24, were sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment each by the First Special District Court yesterday. The shooting occurred after a hold-up at House 1240 in the same street.

MR. A. H. Eskelund has returned to Shanghai from Europe.

FUNERALS

Able Seaman R. W. Peacock

The funeral was held, at the Bubbling Well Cemetery yesterday afternoon, of the late Able Seaman Robert Walter Peacock of H.M.S. Bee, who was accidentally drowned in the Whangpoo ten days ago. The services were conducted by the Rev. C. Wilfred Allan of the Union Church. The coffin, which was draped with the Union Jack, was taken from the motor hearse by six of deceased's comrades and borne on their shoulders to the grave. The officers present were Paymaster Commander F. A. Jolley, the Resident Naval Officer, Lieut-Commander J. A. Agnew, Captain of H.M.S. Cricket, Lieut-Commander R. D. Chandler, Captain of H.M.S. Aphis, Lieut-Commander A. B. R. Baines, H.M.S. Sandwich. The funeral party was under the command of Lieutenant D. R. Curry. Detachments were present from H.M.S. Aphis, H.M.S. Cricket and H.M.S. Sandwich. A Firing Party from the Aphis fired three volleys at the close of the service, while a bugler from the Sandwich sounded the Last Post, the firing party presenting arms. Among these sending wreaths were:—

Rear Admiral, Yangtze, and Staff and Officers and Men of H.M. Ships above the Boom. The Captain, Officer and Ship's Company H.M.S. Sandwich, Officers and Staff H.M. Naval Office, Shanghai, Captain, Officers and Ship's Company H.M.S. Aphis, Captain, Officers and Ship's Company, H.M.S. Cricket, Captain, Officers and Ship's Company, H.M.S. Scarab, Captain and Officers H.M.S. Bee, Captain, Officers and Ship's Company, H.M.S. Ladybird, Captain G.F.M. O'Donnell, Ship's Company, H.M.S. Bee, The Union Jack Club, His Messmates-No. 4 Mess, H.M.S. Bee, Ma Jackson and Staff, etc.

Mr. John Deighton

In the presence of relatives and a number of intimate friends, funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Pahsienjao Cemetery for the late Mr. John Deighton. Dean A.C.S. Trivett of Holy Trinity Cathedral officiated. The deceased comes from and old well known family in Shanghai and was a resident of this city for the past 57 years. He died last Saturday at the General Hospital at the age of 67 years. The coffin was carried to the grave by Messrs. G. Raeburn, P. D. Raeburn, K. Raeburn, K. Wong, J.M.B. Remedios and T. C. German. Among those sending flowers were:—

P. D. Raeburn and Family; Jean; Tom and Dolly; Hennie; Douglas; Lilla, Patricia, George and Richard; Sunny, Maimie and Margie; George and Elsie; The Misses Berthet; Marie and Emy de Figueiredo; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. de Garcia and Family; Mr. and Mrs. W. Hutchinson; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Kwok; Mr. and Mrs. Z. L. Loo; Mademoiselle Pirv; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. B. dos Remedios and Family; Soo Lien Wong; Mrs. T. T. Wong and Family; Mr. and Mrs. Fisher and Yu; Yi Mo Kwei; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Vice-Admiral Hasegawa Transferred

To Take New Post: Other Officers Also Going

Vice-Admiral Kiyoshi Hasegawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese China Sea Fleet since the outbreak of hostilities in Central China, on Monday received an Admiralty order on his transfer to a new responsible post.

Three other highest naval officials in Shanghai were likewise ordered to new stations. These were:

Rear-Admiral Tadao Honda, former naval attaché to the Japanese Embassy in China;

Rear-Admiral Denshichi Ohkochi, Commander of the Special Naval Landing Party here, and

Rear-Admiral Rokuzo Sugiyama, Chief of Staff of the Japanese China Sea Fleet.

All the transfers became effective on Monday. Neither the officers' new posts nor their successors have yet been announced.

Japanese Control Land

The Japanese high command in Shanghai has assumed land administration in areas under the military occupation, according to Chinese report. As this presents a problem of conflicting jurisdiction in so far as the "Ta Tao" City Government has ordered land owners to register with it, local owners are at a loss to choose which office to go to.

The Japanese control, it is reported, will be excercised in coastal districts located east of a line running roughly through Liuho, Kating, Nanziang, Chipao, Shanghai and Tuelin, where any transaction concerning the land and the building of houses must be referred to the local special Service Department of Japanese Army and Navy for approval.

Losses to Be Studied

Mr. Shintaro Sato, a section chief of the Gaimusho's East Asiatic Affairs Bureau, arrived here from Tientsin by plane on Monday to launch a thorough investigation into the losses borne by Japanese nationals in Central China during the present hostilities. He has just completed a similar investigation in North China, the "Shanghai Nippo" reported yesterday.

Teething Time Trials

How Baby's Own Tablets Help

Teething time is often a period of trial, with disturbed nights for baby and parents alike. Baby is feverish, irritable and restless, crying with pain until parents are almost distracted to know what to do for the best.

In innumerable instances Baby's Own Tablets have proved invaluable at this distressing time. Here is what one mother, Mrs. W. Kemp, 29 Glenwood Avenue, London, Ontario, Canada, writes: "Baby started teething early and two eye teeth came together, making her very feverish and fretful. We gave her Baby's Own Tablets and they brought her through marvellously. Now we have a bonnie baby who has six teeth and is in the pink of condition."

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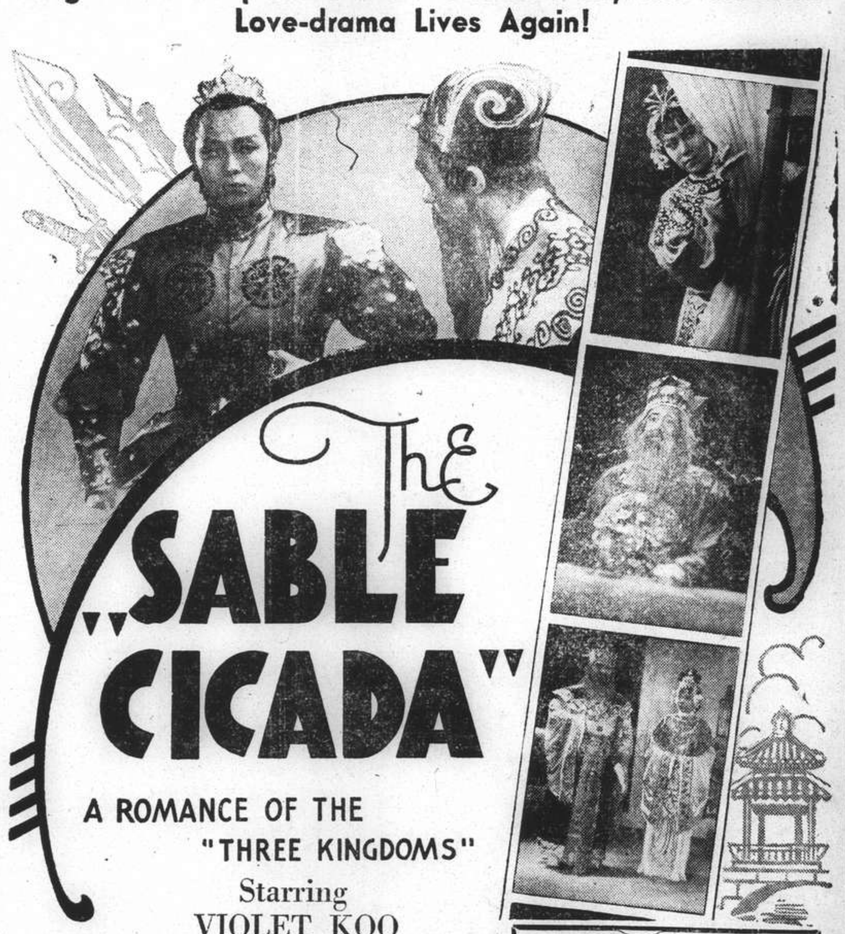

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Pittsburgh Maintain Winning Form

Dangerous Chicago Cubs Added to List of Victims as Pirates Remain Only Unbeaten Major League Baseball Club

New York, Apr. 25.

TWO batting sprees, one in the fourth frame and the other in the eighth, helped the Pittsburgh Pirates to subdue the powerful Chicago Cubs, 8-6, and maintain a perfect record in the National League.

Cleveland, leaders of the American League, remained idle, rain forcing a postponement of the clash between the Indians and the Chicago White Sox.

The Boston Red Sox took advantage of the opportunity by creeping up on the Tribe as a result of a win over the Washington Senators, 7-0.

Another drubbing was taken by the New York Yankees, world champions. This time the Philadelphia Athletics trounced them, 6-1, and the Yanks faced the dire prospect of landing in the cellar.

Tight Battle

A tight battle featured the encounter between the Cubs and the Bucs. But the Pirates broke loose on two occasions which were sufficient for victory.

The big bats of the Bucs first spoke in the fourth inning when they chalked up four runs. Again the game became a bitterly-fought contest. But the Pirates again cut loose in the eighth, scoring another four markers.

August Suhr led the Pirates to victory by slamming out three singles which helped to drive in two men. Tony Lazzeri clouted out a four-ply blow for the Cubs.

The Cincinnati Reds had an easy time with the cellerite St. Louis Cardinals, scoring a 5-0 win. The Cards scored two runs in the first inning and two more in the second frame when McCormack doubled and singled and drove two men across the plate. Alex Kampouris added the other marker with a four-bagger wallop.

Led by hard-hitting Lodigiani, the Philadephia Athletics surprisingly trounced the world champion New York Yankees, 6-1. Lodigiani, in four trips to the plate, lashed out two singles and whacked out a homer to force two men home. The Athletics compiled three runs in the seventh to make sure of winning.

To the Showers

The Boston Red Sox forged into an early lead against the Washington Senators, scoring two runs in the second stonza to establish a firm position. They won easily, 7-0, despite making two miscues. Benny Chapman starred with the bat, hitting a double and two singles and driving in three men.

The victory was another triumph for Fred Ostermueller, and he thus became the season's first pitcher to have scored three wins.

Treating Jim Cole's offerings with contempt, the Detroit Tigers scored six runs in the fourth frame to send the youthful twirler to the showers. Joe Laabs, with a homer and a single, was responsible for driving in five men. Hank Greenberg also connected and gained another four-ply clout to his credit this season.

National League

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	8	12	1
Chicago	6	11	1
Batteries: Bauers and Berres; Bryant, Epperly, Logan, Lee and O'Dea.			
Cincinnati	5	11	0
St. Louis	0	3	2
Batteries: Derringer and Lombardi; Wieland, Henshaw, McGee, Bush and Owen.			

Rain resulted in two postponements. Boston v. Brooklyn and New York v. Philadelphia.

American League

New York	1	7	0
Philadelphia	6	8	0
Batteries: Beggs and Dickey; Ross and Hayes.			
Boston	7	9	2
Washington	0	4	0
Batteries: Ostermueller and Desautels; Leonard, Phebus and R. Ferrell.			
Detroit	10	13	1
St. Louis	1	3	0
Batteries: Kennedy, York and Tebbets; Cole, Knott, Bonetti and Sullivan.			

Cleveland v. Chicago postponed because of rain.

Team Standing

National League

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pittsburgh	7	0	1.000
New York	5	1	.833
Boston	3	2	.600
Chicago	4	3	.571
Brooklyn	2	4	.333
Cincinnati	2	5	.286
Philadelphia	1	4	.200
St. Louis	1	6	.143

American League

Cleveland	5	1	.833
Boston	5	2	.714
Washington	4	3	.571
Chicago	3	3	.500
St. Louis	3	4	.429
New York	3	5	.375
Philadelphia	2	4	.333
Detroit	2	5	.286

—United Press.

Mrs. Moody Again In Competition

Reported Playing Better Tennis Than Ever Before; Off for Wightman Cup

San Francisco, Apr. 25.

Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, who will visit England as a member of the Wightman Cup Team in her second international tennis "come-back" campaign, is playing better tennis than ever according to competent authorities.

"She is playing the best tennis of her career," asserted Mr. Howard Kinsey, one of her coaches.

Mr. Kinsey, a former international player has been practising with Mrs. Moody regularly in recent months. He thinks that she "displays new found confidence and has developed remarkable stamina. Her net game seems considerably improved. She smashes harder and is faster on her feet.

"Where formerly it was comparatively easy to put over drop shots on her, she now anticipates them and is seldom caught off her guard. She is keen and utterly confident," he added.

Mrs. Moody is also reported to have improved her volley game by substituting a chop stroke for a straight drive.

Before she plays in the Wightman Cup, Mrs. Moody will play in a couple of minor English tournaments. She will be playing in the Wightman Cup matches on June 10 and 11, and in the Wimbledon championships later in the month.

Mrs. Moody will play in the German championships on July 8 and later in tournaments in Poland. On her return here in September, she will practise for the American championships, after which she will go on a seven-weeks lecture tour.—Reuter.

Lewis Knocks Out Martinez

Minneapolis, Apr. 26.

In a 15-round contest for the light-heavyweight title today, John Henry Lewis, the champion, knocked out Emilio Martinez, of Denver, Colorado, in the fourth round.—Reuter.

Huge Tipster Ring Uncovered

U.S. Federal Police Drive Nets 68 Culprits

New York, Apr. 2.

Sixty-eight people who, it is estimated, have defrauded the racing public out of $80,000,000 in the last eighteen years, have been arrested by the Federal police in an unprecedented drive on race-track tipsters.

Those indicted conducted fourteen horse-race tip services which were among the best known of such services in America.

"Sucker" lists seized by the police showed that they had 15,000 steady subscribers, ranging from working class to professional men, in more than thirty states.

The group was charged with "using the mails to defraud." Police claim to have amassed considerable evidence of deceit on the part of the defendants.

One of the group's methods, according to the police, was to advertise that they had paid enormous sums of money to owners or racehorses, jockeys and trainers to ensure that certain races would be "fixed." This assertion, say the police, was entirely false.

Another ruse adopted by the tipsters was to send the names of a number of horses in one race as the winner to different clients, thus ensuring that at least one tip would prove accurate. Winning choices were also spread around in half-a-dozen of the group's tip sheets, again ensuring one accurate prediction.

In spite of the money the group represented itself as paying for information, only about nine per cent of the horses they picked won, according to the police.

Further disclosures of the activities of the group are expected to be made following investigation by the police of files found in offices that were raided. The present investigation covers only those activities carried on by mail. Much of the tipster's service are performed by telephone and telegram.—Reuter.

New Motorcycle Marks

Hanover, Apr. 25.

At the first German motor races held this year on the Eilenriede track, near Hanover, yesterday, certain new records were established. In the 250 cubic centimetre class, the German Kluge, on a DKW, improved the re-record established a few months ago by him in Australia. His own best performance for the 228 kilometres distance, namely 109 kilometres an hour, was improved to 117 kilometres an hour.

Winkler, on a DKW, in the 350 ccm. class reached 118.8 kilometres an hour, also a new record.

The fastest racing of the day was by Maier, on a BMW, in the 550 ccm. class, who reached 128.1 kilometres an hour thus bettering the record by 3 kilometres an hour.—Trans-Ocean.

Derby Fancy Wins Greenham Plate

Prince Ali Khan leads in his father's Mirza II (H. Wragg up) after winning the Greenham Plate at Newbury recently from Olympus and Royal Oak.

Pasch Favourite in 2,000 Guineas

Mr. H. E. Morriss's Pasch, which recently won the Coventry Stakes is, according to a message from London now favourite for the 2,000 Guineas Stakes to be run at Newmarket today. Sir H. de Trafford's Portmarnock is, however, considered a danger.

The race will be broadcast by Daventry at 3.10 o'clock G.M. time.

Huddersfield Select Cup Final Team

To Meet Preston Saturday Next at Wembley

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

Huddersfield have provisionally selected the following team for the final of the F. A. Cup against Preston North End at Wembley this Saturday:

R. T. Hesford; D. Craig and R. C. Mountford; C. K. Willingham, A. Young and E. Boot, J. H. A. Hulme, J. Isaac, W. MacFadyen, R. Barclay and A. Beasley.

Both Hulme and Beasley are notable wingers and were formerly with Arsenal. It will be Hulme's fifth Cup final.

Huddersfield have won the coveted trophy only once before, and that, curiously enough, was at the expense of Preston North End. The match, played in the 1921-22 season, resulted in 1-0.

The last appearance of Huddersfield in the Cup final was in 1929-30, when they lost to Arsenal by 2-0.

Preston appeared at Wembley last year against Sunderland, losing by 3-1.—Reuter.

Max Baer Ungrateful, Says Paul Damski

Claiming to Have Given Tip Which Beat Tommy Farr

New York, Apr. 2.

The real winner of the Farr-Baer match held in New York recently was not Baer but Paul Damski, manager of Walter Neusel and Gunnar Barlund.

Demski, who is indignant that Gunnar Barlund has not been matched with Max Baer, as had been promised, complains bitterly of Baer's ingratitude for the "tips" he gave him on how to fight Farr.

"I spent three-quarters of an hour in Max's dressing room after the weigh-in and showed him how to do the trick," says Damski.

"I saw a lot of Farr's fighting on the other side and knew that a left hook would beat him. Not only did I explain this to Max, but I drilled him into how to use it against Tommy. You may recall it was a left hook that floored Farr the first time and this punch practically decided the fight.

"In return for all this Max Baer and his manager ran out on us."

Damski, who has turned down all New York offers including a fight for Barlund against Nathan Mann or Tony Galento, has taken the Finnish heavyweight out to the Pacific Coast. He will fight two or three fights there and then probably return to England.—Reuter.

Entertaining Sports Cinema Shown

Large Gathering Watches Film at Foreign "Y"

The spacious lounge in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. was filled with no less than 150 persons who attended the 24th winter cinema entertainment sponsored by the "Y." Incidently, last night's show marked the close of the cinema programme and the crowd was greatly delighted as, besides the showing of swimming and ball games in the last Olympics at Berlin, two reels of track and field competitions were also screened.

In the track and field films all the final events were covered. Moreover, the actions of most of the performers were shown in slow motion which gave everybody a clear view of how the world's greatest stars functioned in those competitions. Celebreties like Owens, Williams, Hardin, Williams, Lovelock, and women athletes such as Helen Stephen, Mauermayer, etc. were shown in action.

Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy Makes Hole in One

Sons Telegraph Doubting Envoy's Success

London, Apr. 2.

Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, new United States Ambassador in London, is a very good golfer, but his sons do not take him seriously.

On his arrival in London, he played his first game of golf at Stoke Poges, with two American friends. He did a hole in one—his first. Congratulations reached him from many friends, but his sons cabled him from Harvard thus:

"We are dubious about that hole in one. Where was Houghton standing?" Mr. Houghton was one of his friends. —Reuter.

Filipino Team in Japan

Nagasaki, Apr. 26.

Three picked teams of basketball players, wrestlers and boxers from Manila arrived here last night aboard the ss. Kamo Maru. The Filipino basketball players entrained for Seoul, Korea, while the wrestlers and boxers continued their voyage to Kobe on the Kamo Maru. They will meet Japan's ring stars in matches in Tokyo.—Domei.

Pasch is Described as Built for Speed

Mr. Morriss' Animal Said Colt of Great Quality

Pasch was not among the runners for the Maiden Three-Year-Old Stakes. In such company his task would have been easy says Meyrick Good in the "Sporting Life" of April 6.

I looked him over in the paddock. He is a colt of great quality, and is above the average in height, being a shade over sixteen hands.

He has a good forehand, and his shortness behind the saddle makes him look a little taller than he really is.

He favours his sire, Blandford, more than his dam, though he gets his slightly walled eye from Pasca. His quarters droop more than I like to see, while I have seen better hocks.

Best-looking Colt

The impression I have formed of Pasch in poise is that he is built more for speed than stamina, but until I see him in action I may be misled as to that.

Fred Darling, who has few equals in handling classic animals, had Pasch sleek of coat, and any faults I may have detected are counteracted by the superb quality that the colt reveals.

As much as Pasch is to be admired, Mrs. Morriss tells me that she has a yearling half-brother to him by Singapore whom she thinks is the best-looking colt her husband has bred.

She thinks the foal by Chateau Bouscaut will make up into a most attractive youngster when he gets the sun on his back.

New Faces on Britain's Davis Cup Team

To Meet Roumania in 1st Round on May 9

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 25.

Great Britain's Davis Cup team to meet Roumania in the first round at Harrogate on May 9 and 10 will consist of D. Butler, C. Jones, R. Shayes and F. Wilde. All except Wilde are making their debut in the international tournament.

In the first round of the British hardcourts championship at Bournemouth, G. Godsell, of Gloucestershire, beat Shayes after five gruelling sets. The score was 6-3, 6-4, 2-6, 4-6, 7-5.

The surprise of the day was the elimination of Christian Boussus, France's leading player, by D. Butler, who won by 2-6, 11-9, 6-3, 6-4.—Reuter.

Barney Ross Scores Clean Knockout

World Welter Champion in Shape for Armstrong

Des Moines, Apr. 25.

Barney Ross, world welterweight champion, emerged a knockout victor tonight out of another "tune-up" bout in preparation for his defence of his title against Henry Armstrong, negro world featherweight champion, on May 26.

The Jewish-American youth displayed great power as he drove his hard fists into Bobby Venner's body and face time and again. The lad from Hastings, Nebraska, tried hard and was game but he was forced to retire in the seventh of the planned ten-round non-title bout.

Ross weighed 141 pounds, showing that he is rapidly attaining shape and getting down to lightweight limits. Venner tipped the beam at 146.—United Press.

Bunny Austin Good

London, Apr. 25.

Of the members of the English Davis Cup Team, Bunny Austin is already in best form. In the final at the Brighton Tournament, Austin beat Iren Rogers by 8-10, 6-1 and 6-3. Rogers had played the Chinese, Kho Sin-kie, defeating him by 6-3, 4-6 and 6-4.—Trans-Ocean.

Annual Swimming Meeting Held

Reports of Past Season's Activities; Decisions to Be Made Next Week

The 1938 swimming season is just around the corner!

The annual general meeting of the Shanghai Amateur Swimming Association was held yesterday evening at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. in which the minutes of the previous general meeting, the hon. secretary and treasurer's report for the past season, the water polo league for the coming year and plans for the forthcoming club representatives meeting, were the principle business transacted.

Mr. John Huxley, president of the Association, presided at the meeting which began with the report of Mr. L. F. Bright, the secretary-treasurer, who reported as follows:—

The 1937 Championships started with the Gala at the Cercle Sportif Francais on Saturday, August 7, with Shanghai Championships. Preliminaries for the five other Championships to be held at the Shanghai Rowing Club on August 14 were held on August 12. Owing to the outbreak of hostilities in Shanghai which necessitated the mobilization of the S.V.C. the remaining two galas (the third and last being scheduled to take place at the Foreign "Y" on August 21) were cancelled.

Review of Past Season

Six teams entered the 1937 water polo League which was very successfully held during the months of June, July and the first part of August. Thirty games were played with one forfeiture.

The Foreign "Y" "Porpoises" and the Shanghai Rowing Club "Strokeside" were tied at the end of the playing schedule with 8 games won and 1 lost. Owing to the outbreak of hostilities the play-off could not be held.

A welcome addition to the 1937 League was the Association Sportive Francaise team. With the building of a new swimming pool on the premises of the A.S.F. and the entrance of a team in the city competition an added interest in the Water Polo League resulted. Although playing their first year in the League, the A.S.F. players made a creditable showing and in the future will undoubtedly, with a little more experience, be one of the strongest teams in the city.

Last year's League comprised the Shanghai Rowing Club "Strokeside" and "Bowside," Foreign "Y" "Porpoises" and "Walruses," Association Sportive Francaise and "Shaforce." It is noted that each team in the League was able to provide its own pool for the games.

Rules Changed

During the year under review the Association's Committee revised the old rules and regulations adopted in 1917. The new rules governing competitive swimming and diving are based on the rules of the Federation Internationale De Natation suitable to local conditions.

Mr. Huxley, in presenting the annual report, spoke on more or less the same lines as Mr. Bright had. The President mentioned first that Shanghai was indeed fortunate in having as visitors here two world renowned aquatic experts in F. A. Cady and Jack Medica, and the lecture on the Art of Natation by the former, with the exhibition given by the latter, was greatly appreciated.

Secondly, Mr. Huxley said that last year arrangements had been completed with Hongkong for an Interport meeting to be staged in Shanghai, but here again the local situation prevented this being carried out. However, it is hoped that a renewal of these contests will be possible in the near future.

Within the next few days Mr. Bright will send out letters to the various clubs calling for each club to send two representatives to the next meeting which will be held sometime next week. The date and time of the meeting will be made known in those circulars. All clubs are asked to be prepared for that occasion in which full details pertaining to the coming season will be discussed.

Held to a Mere Draw

Philadelphia, Apr. 25.

Pedro Montanez met with a setback tonight in his campaign to gain another crack at Lou Ambers and the world lightweight title when he was held to a draw by Tommy Cross, local negro, in ten rounds.

Cross, usually ranked the fifteenth best lightweight in the ring today, used a tricky right cross and a long left jab which baffled Montanez and almost cost him the fight. Montanez weighed 137 pounds and Cross 132. —United Press.

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Ladies Tennis Meeting On Friday

Officers Will be Elected, Arrangements Made

Prospects of the 1938 Shanghai Ladies Tennis League Competitions will be discussed at the Annual General Meeting scheduled to take place this Friday, April 29, at 5.30 p.m. at the Y.W.C.A., 999 Bubbling Well Road. All clubs and properly constituted teams of ladies who are desirous of participating in the coming season's activities, and who have not as yet submitted their names, are invited to do so before the meeting opens. Mrs. K. Nimphius, c/o Mackenzie Sports Co., 753 Bubbling Well Road, is taking charge of the entries as the Hon.-Secretary and Treasurer.

Last year's league was successfully carried out. Six teams competed in the First Division while ten joined the Second Division. Cercle Sportive Francaise, with a total of 41 points, won the senior championship. The French team were easy winners, leading by nine games as the Country Club, runners-up, gathered 32. The C.S.F. second team placed third, scoring 23 points. The remaining teams were Shanghai Rowing Club, 20; Junior Athletic Club 15; Columbia Country Club 3.

Friday's Agenda

Swiss Club captured the junior crown, with 71 points. The Cathedral Club scored 63 and gained second while the Country Club were close behind with 60. Other participants were the German Tennis Club, Catholic Club, Bramtoco Tennis Club, Country Club "B", Girls Friendly Society, Portuguesas and Associacao das Senhoras.

The agenda of Friday's meeting will be composed mainly of the Hon.-Secretary and Treasurer's report for the past year and the election of incoming officers. Already, many of the former members have signified their intention to join and another big entry is expected.

Home Soccer Results

London, Apr. 25.

In a Scottish League Second Division match played today, East Stirling defeated East Fife by the odd goal in three. In the Second Division of the English League, Newcastle was beaten by Chesterfield by two goals to nil. Other results were:

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)

Millwall 4, Bournemouth 0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)

Barrow 0, Accrington 0
Bradford City 1, Gateshead 1
Halifax 2, Lincoln 0
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Wrexham 0, Carlisle 0.—Reuter.

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English Amateur Golf Championship

1934 Winner Eliminated In First Surprise

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Moortown, Apr. 26.

Play in the English amateur golf championship commenced here yesterday with 231 entries, necessitating the last 14 of the first round games to be played today.

The first surprise was when Haslam, of Moortown, eliminated Stanley Lunt, of Moseley, the winner in 1934, by one up.

Pennink, the holder, had no difficulty in qualifying for the second round, defeating Greenlagh, of Turton, by 4 and 3.

Owing to the large number of entries for the competition, prominent golfers, including past champions, have signed a request to the Golf Union proposing the seeding of eight players and the institution of a qualifying round to reduce competitors in the championship proper to 64.—Reuter.

Barnes Will Not Play Before July

Australian Cricketers Ask For New Batsman

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Sydney, Apr. 26.

Bradman Jeanes, manager of the Australian cricket team at present on tour in England, has cabled from London to the Board of Control a medical report stating that Barnes, who broke a bone in his wrist during the voyage to England, will be unable to play before July.

It is understood that he has asked for a batsman to replace Barnes and that the Board will consider the matter within the next few days.—Reuter.

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Shanghai Tramways Now Running 65 Per Cent. of Normal Services

Hostilities Cause Serious Handicap, but Recovery Reported and Patience Asked for Future

THE Shanghai Tramways is now running its services on a basis of about 65 per cent. of normal, the chairman, Mr. H. Martin Little, reported at the annual meeting of the Shanghai Electric Construction Company, held at the head offices, Foochow Road. Mr. Little said that except for the tramways service to the North Station, it had not been possible to arrange for any restoration of passenger operation in the areas north of the Soochow Creek.

In his speech, the chairman said:—

When addressing you about a year ago, I indicated that there was then ample evidence in our revenue returns to justify the belief that Shanghai was emerging from the business depression through which it had been passing and I am now able to state that, so far as your business is concerned, this encouraging feature became more and more pronounced until August last when, I regret to say, all earlier hopes of a good year had to be abandoned consequent upon the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities and the complete disorganization in business generally which followed that unfortunate event.

For the four days immediately following the commencement of hostilities, it was necessary to suspend our entire tram and trolley bus services, but after that short period of complete cessation, our vehicles made their re-appearance in the areas south of the Soochow Creek and our services have since been slowly and steadily augmented in these areas, whenever and wherever possible.

Except for our service to the North Railway Station, it has not been possible to arrange for any restoration of passenger operation in the areas north of the Soochow Creek.

At the close of the year our total service represented about 40 per cent. of normal and that ratio has since been increased to about 65 per cent.

We are particularly desirous of providing, as soon as possible, a service in the eastern district which will cater for industrial workers proceeding to and from factories, and efforts are now being made with that object in view.

In this connection I would like to express our thanks to H.M. Consul-General, Mr. Phillips, for the representations he is making on our behalf in this matter.

Evacuation Recalled

When hostilities began in August, we had to evacuate our main workshops in Whashing Road, also our running depot at Wayside, and this rendered it imperative to reorganize our arrangements for dealing with the repair and maintenance of our tram and trolley bus fleet on the lines of undertaking more extensive repair operations at our Bubbling Well Depot than had normally been the case.

It was necessary for a time to suspend our routine overhaul of vehicles, and it bears ample testimony to the high standard of maintenance preserved in our fleet that this period of unavoidable neglect passed off without causing any inconvenience.

We have now reverted to more or less normal conditions at our Whashing Road workshops and the regular periodic overhaul of vehicles has been resumed.

Only Minor Damage

With regard to material damage attributable to the hostilities, I think we may consider ourselves fortunate that notwithstanding the fact that our main workshops and Wayside depot are situated in an area in which intensive military activity took place, our buildings as a whole suffered only minor damage.

Overhead wires and equipment, particularly in the Eastern and Northern districts, were extensively damaged and repairs have already been executed.

Permanent way track was damaged in various sectors but not to any serious extent except in Boundary Road where about one hundred yards of double track will require renewal.

On October 14, one of our trolley buses was badly damaged by a bomb in Markham Road, the body of the vehicle being completely wrecked.

I much regret to report that the driver and a ticket inspector were killed, two conductors were seriously wounded and several passengers also were killed and wounded.

This was the only direct incident of a serious nature affecting our vehicle fleet.

Our material loss amounts to about $80,000, but this sum is fragmentary compared with our loss in nett earnings. The formulation of a claim is at present receiving attention.

Evacuees Cared For

About 1,100 persons comprising some of our Chinese employees who, with their dependents, were forced to evacuate their homes in the troubled areas, were accommodated in our Bubbling Well depot in the early stages of hostilties, but as soon as the situation began to ease, many of these refugees were able to make their own arrangements for housing with the result that the number has steadily decreased and at this date is in the region of 250.

Towards the end of the year, when a shortage of rice was threatened, arrangements were made by the company for a supply for the convenience of its employees. Part of this stock has been sold to employees and the balance is being held for the time being against any future emergency.

Having dealt fully with the dominating event of the year, I would now turn to matters of a more routine if less exciting character.

New Route

In view of the desirability in the public interest of a connecting link between the International Settlement and the French Concession West of Yu Ya Ching Road, it was agreed between this company and the Cie. Francaise de Tramways et d'Eclairage Electriques de Shanghai to approach the respective municipal administrations for permission to equip a new through trolley bus route running from the intersection of Robison Road and Ferry Road to the intersection of Rue du Capitaine Rabier and Rue Eugene Bard via Ferry Road, Sinza Road, Seymour Road, Avenue du Roi Albert, Rue Lafayette and Rue du Capitaine Rabier, returning via Rue Eugene Bard and Rue Galle.

The necessary approval of the two municipal authorities was duly granted and it had been hoped to open the route to traffic towards the end of last year, but the outbreak of hostilities completely upset our plans.

It is now anticipated, however, that operation will commence toward the end of the current year.

Fares Converted

On June 1 last, all fares, which were formerly expressed in terms of old copper coins, were converted to the new subsidiary coinage. It is interesting to note that about 5 per cent. of our total daily revenue is still being collected in old copper coins.

Except when actual rates have been obtainable, all revenue items in the accounts before you have been converted to sterling at 1/2.3 a dollar that being the average rate for the year. The corresponding rate for 1936 was 1/2⅝.

The amount at the credit of appropriation account is £105,644, which compares with £152,492 for the previous year. Deducting the allocation to renewals account of £35,000 there remains available for dividends the sum of £70,644. The interim dividend of two per cent. paid in November, absorbed £13,400 and your directors now recommend that a final dividend of 5 per cent. be paid. This will account for £33,500 leaving £23,744 to be carried forward to the new account.

Turning for a moment to the balance sheet, it will be noted that the figure for stores is up by £32,246 compared with the previous year. This is due to our programme of capital and renewals works having had to be left in abeyance for several months because of the hostilities. Investments are up by £23,076 and cash on deposit and on current account is down by £75,918.

The market value of our investments plus cash on deposit and on current account produces a total of £273,820. We are, therefore, in a strong liquid position and well equipped to survive the interregnum which may separate us from what we all hope will be better times ahead.

Patience Asked

I think there is good reason to be thankful for the measure of recovery in your business of which there is already evidence and with regard to the future, I would only say that we must be patient in the knowledge that our prosperity is largely dependent upon an increase in industrial employment.

Broadly speaking, the present position of your undertaking is that it is paying its way including provision for depreciation, and in addition producing a small surplus. This is a very considerable improvement on the position of a few months ago when revenue was barely sufficient to meet working expenses excluding depreciation.

It is to be hoped that as an outcome to our present troubles in Shanghai, such arrangements will be made as will ensure immunity from any repetition of the disaster which overtook this great city in August last.

Before closing I would like to express our thanks to the general manager, the secretary and the staff for the splendid work they have done during a critical and trying time.

This calls for more than the usual mead of thanks as the circumstances under which work had to be performed, particularly in the early stages of hostilities, were often fraught with danger.

During the summer months our general manager, Mr. A. A. Ewing, was in Great Britain and in his absence our secretary, Mr. A. Pollock, acted for him with distinction. We owe them all a debt of gratitude for their loyalty and service under strenuous and trying conditions.

Mr. W. J. Keswick was appointed a Director of the Company on April 16, 1937, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. A. D. Bell, and at a later stage in this meeting you will be asked to confirm this appointment.

The Resolutions

There being no questions, the following resolutions were passed:—

That the report of the directors and the audited accounts for the year ended December 31, 1937, be and the same are hereby received and adopted, and that a final dividend at the rate of five per cent. making seven per cent. for the year be and is hereby declared; proposed by Mr. H. Martin Little and seconded by Mr. Li Ming.

That Messrs. F. R. Davey and Ellis Hayim be re-elected directors of the company; proposed by Mr. H. Martin Little and seconded by Mr. Li Ming.

That the appointment of Mr. W. J. Keswick as a director of the company be confirmed; proposed by Mr. F. R. Davey and seconded by Mr. Li Ming.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be re-elected auditors to the company at a remuneration of $5,000; proposed by Mr. A. J. Hayim and seconded by Mr. Koong Zun-foo.

The Yugoslav Premier and Foreign Minister, Dr. Milan Stoyadinovitch, and the Bulgarian Minister in Belgrade, M. Ivan Popoff, on Tuesday signed an agreement arrived at in Sofia as long ago as November 9, 1935, on the protection and maintenance of the common Bulgarian-Yugoslavian frontier, at last definitely determined.

British Empire Communications

Post Office to Begin Additional Schemes To Aid Swift Contact

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Capetown, Apr. 26.

A cordial exchange of greetings between the "Cape Times" and well-known newspapers in other Dominions marked the inauguration yesterday of the new flat rate Empire cable services.

Mr. G. H. Wilson, editor of the "Cape Times," cabled Dominion newspapers:

"On the occasion of the introduction of the new Empire cable rates, the 'Cape Times' sends you cordial greeting and best wishes for closer relationship between your Dominion and ours as a result of this development."

Shortly afterwards, messages reciprocating these greetings were received from newspapers in Sydney, Montreal, Wellington, Calcutta and Nairobi.—Reuter.

New G. P. O. Expansion

London, Apr. 25.

Speaking at a banquet of the National Chamber of Trade at Brighton last night, the Assistant Postmaster General, Sir Walter Womersley, revealed important Post Office plans for the improvement of communication services, including the erection of a large new receiving station in Kent with an aerial two miles long connected to the receiving station by sixteen miles of special cable for the trans-Atlantic telephone system.

Arrangements have also been made for the provision of ultra-short wave radio-telephone channels between the United Kingdom and France and between the mainland and the Shetland Islands, he revealed.

Sir Walter Womersley said that during the past twelve months, great progress had been made in the development of world communications, especially as they affected the Empire. To provide for the growth of traffic to Holland and the Scandinavian countries, a new type of cable was laid between England and Holland. The total number of telephone circuits between England and the Continent was now more than 170.

Radio-Telephone Circuits

Ultra-short wave radio-telephone circuits would also be utilized for connecting the Hebrides and other islands, where neither telegraph or telephone communication have hitherto been available.

In the United Kingdom itself, he continued, where progress was also evident during the last twelve months, 6,200 new circuits had been added to the trunk system. In the sphere of Imperial and foreign telegraphs, all else had been eclipsed by the recent announcement by Cable & Wireless and its associated companies overseas that they were introducing a new rate schedule to all parts of the Empire.

The maximum rate of 1s. 3d. per word for full-rate telegrams between Empire countries, he concluded, represented a truly notable advance in Imperial communications.—Wireless through Reuter.

Soviet-Japanese Border Clashes

Korean-Manchoukuo Frontier Incidents Alleged by Seoul

Seoul, Apr. 26.

Climaxing weeks of acute tension in Soviet-Japanese relations, troops of the two nations had clashes twice within the past 48 hours along the uncertain border between Korea and Russia.

The last incident on record, a communique issued by the headquarters of the Korea Garrison said, occurred at 11.30 a.m. yesterday south of Nanpeihli, 36 km. east of Hunchung.

A strong Soviet force, the statement claimed, crossed the border and attacked a Manchoukuo outpost close to the meeting point of the Russian, Manchurian and Korea frontier lines. Japanese reinforcements were immediately rushed to the spot, and the Soviet force was repulsed after an hour's fighting, the communique said.

The Japanese unit suffered no casualties, according to the statement.

Previous Clash

Twenty-four hours earlier "several tens" of Soviet troops had crossed the Soviet-Manchoukuo border south-east of Nanpiehli. Manchoukuo border guards quickly repulsed the Soviet force, the communique asserted. "Several" Soviet troopers, according to the statement, are "believed" to have been wounded in the brief clash.

Soviet military aircraft, the communique declared, have crossed the Soviet-Korean border "several times" since April 22.

On the morning of April 24, the Hakuyo Maru, of the North Korean Fisheries Experimental Station, was reported to have been chased by Soviet pursuit planes off the coast of the Soviet Maritime Province.

The master of the ship claimed that the planes had dropped several "bomb-like" objects, which did not hit the vessel. The Hakuya Maru was engaged in patrolling Japanese fishing grounds off Soviet territory.—Domei.

Czech-German Relations Absolutely Normal

Statement Made by Czech Foreign Minister

Prague, Apr. 26.

The Czechoslovakian Foreign Minister, Dr. Kamil Krofta, made an important statement on Czechoslovakia's relations with the Reich when interviewed by a representative of "Le Petit Parisien" yesterday.

The Minister's statement, which was published simultaneously here and in Paris, declares: "As regards our present relations with the Reich, I wish to stress that they are absolutely normal and current affairs are being settled to the mutual satisfaction of both countries through normal diplomatic channels. The Reich Government never interfered directly in our domestic affairs and adopts a perfectly correct attitude in this respect. At the present moment there are no negotiations going on for the conclusion of any pact or a more general agreement."

Dr. Krofta moreover pointed out that the Czechoslovakian Government does not want to pursue an anti-German policy, but, "on the contrary, our aim is to come to satisfactory co-operation with Germany and to co-operate actively at the same time with Italy, the Little Entente, Hungary and France. The realization of this aim, however, has become more difficult since Austria's incorporation in the Reich."—Trans-Ocean.

Information for London

London, Apr. 25.

Mr. Basil C. Newton, British Minister in Prague, is due here shortly to present a report on the situation arising from Dr. Konrad Henlein's demands on behalf of the Sudeten Germans in Czechoslovakia. This report will be apprise the Cabinet preparatory to a discussion of the problem at the Anglo-French parleys.

Great Britain is now opposed to Prague's acceptance of all the Sudeten Party's demands, diplomatic quarters here assert, but they admit that London would suggest to the Czech capital to make the maximum concessions possible.—Havas.

Germans Need Visas to Visit Britain

Agreement Lifting Such Formalities Abolished

Berlin, Apr. 26.

The British Ambassador, Sir Nevile Henderson, has notified the German Government that German visitors to Britain after May 21 will be required to comply with visa regulations, thus abolishing the existing agreement under which such an obligation is waived.

The reasons for the action have aroused much speculation. Some believe Britain wants to stop the influx of undesirable Jews as a result of the anschluss, while others think that the measure is to control the activity of Nazi agents in Britain.

It is expected that negotiations will be taken up shortly with the object of renewing the former agreement.—Reuter.

Plaint of Sudeten Germans Detailed

Official Statement Alleges Long Czech Discrimination

Prague, Apr. 26.

Information about the nature and extent of the economic and cultural injury suffered by the Sudeten Germans during the last few years in consequence of the Czech policy of systematic suppression, is published today by the "Sudetendeutscher Pressedienst," the official news service of the Sudeten German Party.

The "Sudetendeutscher Pressedienst" points out that over the whole of the past twenty years there has been a systematic infiltration of Czechs, this movement being part of a clearly recognizable strategic programme. From 1921 till 1930 the number of Sudeten Germans increased by 79,000 or 2.6 per cent. while the number of Czechs within the Sudeten German areas increased by 79,000 or 28.9 per cent.

Immigration Evident

That this Czech increase was due almost exclusively to immigration is evident, states the "Pressedienst," from the fact that the Czech population increase in the Sudeten German territory agrees almost exactly with the decrease of the population in 99 purely Czech districts.

The comment continues, "while on one hand, care was taken that the best-paid posts in the railway service, post-offices and law-courts were occupied by Czechs, it was also arranged that minor official posts in smaller German municipalities should be occupied by Czechs with large families. In the post office service the proportion of Germans declined by 41.2 per cent., in the railways by 48.5 per cent., in the army by 40.4 per cent.

Land Reform Methods

"Particularly disadvantageous to the Sudeten Germans was the so-called land reform of the Czechoslovakian state through which from 1919 to 1927 altogether 3,925,499 hectars of land were re-purchased by the state. Of these, only 982,549 hectars had belonged to Czechs or Slovaks. In the Sudeten German territory about 240,000 hectars were confiscated of which 151,000 hectars were German and 65,000 hectars Czech. Of the confiscated land, German settlers received altogether 600 hectars while 174,000 hectars were allotted to Czech politicians, legionaries and peasants. The Sudeten Germans thus lost about 150,000 hectars of agricultural land.

The average value of the confiscated land in the Sudeten German territory was about 10,500 Czech Crowns per hectar but the land-office paid the dispossessed only 2,100 Crowns indemnity and charged the settlers with 4,000 Crowns per hectar.

Cultural Losses

Parallel with these economic losses were the disadvantages imposed on the cultural possessions of the Sudeten Germans. Thus since 1921 the number of Czech state kindergartens in German territory rose from sixteen to 799.

The article emphasizes in closing that the Sudetic Germans have admittedly become poor in material wealth but have grown immeasurably stronger in the faith in their destiny. They are determined to defend their national heritage more tenaciously than ever.—Trans-Ocean.

Emperor Prays for War Dead of Japan

Japanese Soldiers in China Take Part

Tokyo, Apr. 26.

Emperor Hirohito this morning paid homage to the spirits of 4,533 officers and men killed in current hostilities in China and anti-bandit operations in North Manchuria.

The Japanese ruler's visit to the Yasukuni Shrine climaxed three days of extraordinary festivities marking the enshrinement of the spirits of the war dead.

Dressed in full uniform and accompanied by Court, Government and military officials, the Emperor arrived at the shrine at 10.10 o'clock in the morning. After ten minutes in silent prayer for the dead, the monarch returned to the palace.

Princess Naoko Kan-in, acting as a proxy of Empress Nagako, left here this morning on a nine-day visit to local military hospitals in Shizuoka, Aichi and Gifu Prefectures accommodating soldiers and sailors wounded in the China hostilities.—Domei.

N. China Observance

Peiping, Apr. 26.

For a few minutes this morning, unaccustomed lull reigned on all fronts in North and Central China when Japanese officers and men, facing in the direction of Tokyo, paid silent tribute to the spirits of Japanese warriors who had lost their lives in China and North Manchuria.

Gen. Count Hisaichi Terauchi, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Force in North China, and his staff officers participated in solemn rites marking the enshrinement of the spirits of the officers and men killed in China.—Domei.

Japanese Killed

A Japanese civilian employed by a Hongkew company was slain by a band of Chinese guerillas half way between Changshu and Taitsang on Monday afternoon, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday evening. Riddled by bullets, the body of Mr. Masao Hamamoto, 27, was found near a truck in which he was transporting eighty cases of matches to Nanking. The discovery was made by Mr. Takeshi Ohba, 29, Japanese employee of Gentai & Company, Dixwell Road, who was returning to Shanghai from Nanking.

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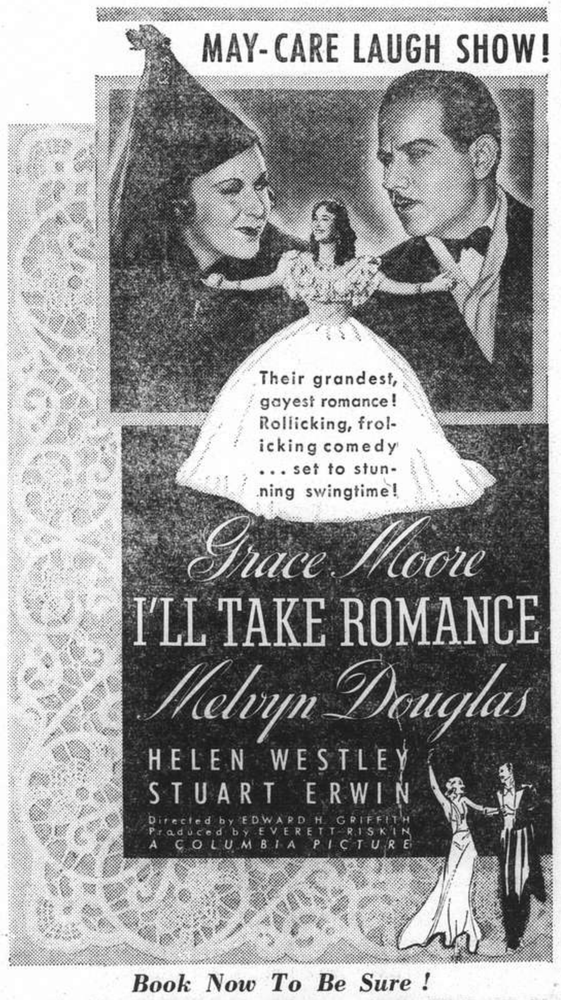
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4 months' sight docts 28⅛
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs. nom.

CLOSING RATES

Sterling .....1/11⅞ U.S. .....$27|11/16

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 27⅞=$364.46

Netherlands Trading Society

Java Guilders $100 .....Buying 50½
Netherlands Guilders $100 .. .. 50½
Java Guilders $100 .....Selling 49⅛
Netherlands Guilders $100 .. .. 49¼

National City Bank of New York

Selling U.S.$1=$3.6446 £1=$18.199
Buying U.S.$1=$3.5794 £1=$17.860

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100=$355.56 £1=$17.78
Selling U.S.$100=$361.99 £1=$18.11

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 1.63½=$1 Belgas 29.50=£1

Italian Bank For China

It. Lire 5.10=$1 Swiss F. 1.19½=$1
Tourist Lire 5.65 .....=$1

Other Quotations

Berlin-Hamburg T.T. $100=Rm. 68.00
$100=Reg. Mk. 150.00

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 1/1 5/16	Lowest	1/1 5/16
U.S. G.$	27 1/16		27 1/16
Yen	—		—

MERCHANTS CLOSING RATES

Cash		SELLING	April	BUYING
£	T.T.	1/11¼	4 m/s. l.c.	1/11⅝
G.$	T.T.	27½	4 m/s. l.c.	27⅜
Fcs.	T.T.	386	4 m/s.	920
Rs.	T.T.	73⅝	7 d/s.	75

BAR SILVER

	READY	F'ORD
London pence per std. oz.	18⅞	18⅛
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	49.14	—
Bombay offtake nil bars.		

London silver was down ⅛ both for spot and forward at 18⅞ and 18⅛. New York silver was unchanged at 42¾ Bombay silver was up three annas at 49.14.

It was reported that there was a little speculative selling. Business was small. Market steady. After the official fixing quietly steady conditions prevailed.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 1/11¼ Sterling and 27½ U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with sellers at 1/1 5/16 Sterling and 27⅛ U.S.$, and remained on this basis practically all day. There were buyers all day at 1/11⅛ Sterling and 27¾ U.S.$, until shortly before the close when a small business was done at the selling rates. The market closed dull but steady with sellers at 1/1 5/16 and 27 11/16.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Apr. 25.

Japan	78⅛	London	1/5 31/32
New York	268	„ 2 mths	
Shanghai	75	„ (Sellers)	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	84¼	„ (Buyers)	1/5 63/64

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	499.25	Shanghai	1/1 5/8 N
Paris	160.50	Bangkok	1/10¼
Berlin	12.40	Bombay	1/6
Amsterdam	8.96	Hongkong	1/3
Brussels	29.62½	Singapore	2/4
Madrid	79.00 N.	Yokohama	1/2 3/4
Milan	94.80	„ (Buying)	1/2
Berne	21.71¼	C'slovakia	143.25

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.24	Japan	29.11
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	27.81
Holland	55.72¾	Austria	Unq.
Paris	3.11¼	C'slovakia	3.48½
Brussels	16.86	Hungary	19.90
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.74
S'zerland	23.00	Yugo Slavia	2.33
Sweden	25.75	Greece	0.91½
Norway	25.10	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	22.30	Finland	2.21
Montreal	99.500	Poland	18.88
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.99 5/16
London Demand	4.99 1/16
London Bankers' 60 days bills	4.98 23/32
London Commercial 60 days bills	4.93 23/32
Buenos Aires Paper	30.97
Buenos Aires Paper, market rate	26.25
Montreal on London	5.01¾

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Apr. 25.
Fine Bank Bills, 3 months	0 1/16%
Bank Bills, 6 months	0 3/8%
Fine Trade Bills, 3 months	2¼%
Fine Trade Bills, 6 months	2¾%
Call Money	0½%
New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%
	0 1/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 1/8%B
	0 1/8%A
Call money	1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Closing Bids in Pesos)

	Apr. 24	Apr. 25
Antamok	.50	.49
Atok	.24	.24
Benguet Consolidated	9.40	9.30
Consolidated Mines	Unq.	Unq.
Demonstration	.54	Unq.
Mine Operations	Unq.	.10
San Mauricio	.44	.44
United Paracale	Unq.	Unq.

Turnover: 79,000 Pesos.
Index: (closing prices): 80.74.—Reuter

Sterling, Gold Dollar Lower

Paris, Apr. 25.

After the official closure of the sterling and gold dollar exchange markets here today, both registered appreciable losses as they went down to 161 francs, as compared to 163.50 at closing-time, and 32.27 francs, as compared to 32.70 at closing-time, respectively.—Havas.

Silver Quotations

London, Apr. 26.

Both spot and forward silver rose 1/16d. from the previous day.

	Apr. 25	Apr. 26
London spot	18 3/16d.	18 1/8d.
„ forward	18 1/16d.	18 3/16d.
London/New York:		
One pound U.S.	$4.98 1/32	$4.99 3/32
One U.S. dollar	48.102d.	48.078d.
Gold	139/6d.	139/5½d.

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

There was a more inquiry today for Industrials and Utilities, the undertone of the market was steady. Rubbers are dull following a further decline in the raw commodity.

Morning Session

OFFICIAL

		CASH
100	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 32.00
1,000	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 14.00
500	Eute	$ 3.10
500	Ayer Tawah	$ 4.00
20	Ewo Mills (Pref)	$147.50

UNOFFICIAL

105	Langkat	$ 4.00
2,000	Rubber Trust	$ 2.55
50	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 32.00

Afternoon Session

OFFICIAL

50	S'hai Power (Pref)	$103.00
100	C. G. Omnibus	$ 13.50
T4,760	F. M. C. 8% Debs.	T100.00
3	S'hai Power (Pref)	$103.00
10	Union Insurance	Hk.$525.00

UNOFFICIAL

5	S'hai Power (Pref)	$103.00
100	Union Insurance	Hk.$525.00

	Shares	Bonds
Morning Session	4,375	—
Afternoon Session	273	47
Total	4,648	47

Official Indexes

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Apr. 25	26	Change
S'hai Rub. Share 201.60	201.60	Unch.
S'hai Gen. Stock 43.37*	**	—
Chi. Govt. Bond 101.61*	Closed	—

*—August 13, 1937.
**—Compilation Temporarily suspended until active trading resumed.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 25.

Quiet conditions prevailed on the Stock Exchange today pending the budget. Occasional offerings found poor support. Consequently, the market was rather dull.—Reuter.

	Apr. 22	25
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£103	*101 1/16

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	46½	46½
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	57	57

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	22/6	22/9
Armstrong, Stevens	7/-	7/6
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	39/7½	39/11½
Austin Motors, ord.	29/4½	29/3
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	51/6	51/7½
British-American Tob.	105/7½	105/-
Cable & W., new form.	63	*60½
Cammell Laird, ord.	9/-	9/-
Courtaulds	41/9	41/6
Distillers	99/6	99/6
Dunlop Rubber	50/9	50/4½
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/10½	76/4½
Guinness (A.) Son & Co.	117/-	117/-
Hawker Siddeley Air.	27/10½	28/-
Imp. Chem. Indus.	32/6	32/3
Imp. Tobacco	136/10½	136/3
Leyland Motors	84/4½	85/7½
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	59/7½	59/3
Pressed Steel, com.	14/9	15/10½
Rolls-Royce	94/1½	92/6
Smethwick Drop Forgings	19/6	19/6
Tate & Lyle	80/-	80/-
Turner & Newall	84/4½	83/6
United Steel	27/-	26/10½
Vickers	23/9	23/9
Woolworths	65/4½	65/6

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	26/-	26/-
Rubber Pltn. Invest.	25/-	25/1½

MINES

Burma Corp.	10/1½	10/1½
Commonwealth Min.	1/10½	1/9
Exploration Co.	2/3	2/3
Marsman Invest.	12/6	12/6
Randfontein Ests.	38/9	37/9
Sub-Nigel	203/9	201/10½
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.

OILS

Anglo Iranian	78/1½	76/1½
Burmah	110/7½	110/-
Mexican Eagle	4/4½	4/4½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	86/3	85/-

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£76	75
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	73½	74½
4½% Anglo-French Loan	92	92
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	52½	53
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	61½	61½
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	19	19
5% Honan Rly., 1905	45	45
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	31	31
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	28	28
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	21	21
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	42	41
5% „ „ G.	27	27
5% „ „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	27	27
5% „ „ „ (Supl. Loan G.	27	27
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	27	27
S'hai Elec. Construction	22	22
S'hai Waterworks "A"	36/- N	36/- N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	24½ N	24½ N
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	30½ N	30½ N
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	12½	12½
„ (Col. Reg.)	91	90
Chinese Eng. & Min.	93½	93
Chosen Corp.	16/4½	16/4½
Pekin Syndicate	7/6	7/6
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	3/9 N	2/9 N
	22/6	22/6

N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 25.

Among commodities, cocoa eased on unconfirmed rumours that the buying pool had suspended operations until October, but prices closed above the day's lowest levels. Rubber eased in sympathy with Eastern and American advices.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 5 1/32 —¼; sellers 6 1/16 —⅜; May delivery, buyers 5 1/8 —¼; sellers 6 1/16 —¼.

London Sugar (Buyers): May 4/11¾ unch; Aug. 5/0¼ —½; Dec. 5/2 —½.

Liverpool Wheat: May 6/10 3/4 —⅞; July 6/9 3/4 —⅝; Oct. 6/7¼ —⅜.

Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures: May 4.74 —6; July 4.85 —6; Oct. 4.97 —6; Jan. 5.04 —6; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7): May 6.58 —7; July 6.72 —6; Sept. 6.72 —6; Oct. 6.84 —6.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £39 9/16 —⅛; 3 mths sellers £29 13/16 —⅛; Electrolytic, buyers £43½ unch; sellers £44½ unch; Tin, Standard, cash sellers £167 3/4 —¼; 3 mths sellers £168½ —¼; Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £15 5/16 —¼; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £15 1/16 —⅜; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13 7/8 —¼; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £14 —1/16. —Reuter.

Wars Reduce Sugar Sales

London, Apr. 25.

The effects of war in China and Spain and the influence on the world sugar market will be discussed here Wednesday at a meeting of the International Sugar Council, it was announced today.

Representatives of 21 Governments estimated that the hostilities in China had reduced the Oriental market by 200,000 metric tons while the Spanish war had reduced the European market by approximately 30,000 metric tons.—United Press.

Anglo Java Dividend

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of Anglo Java Estates, Limited held yesterday it was decided to recommend to shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, which is called for May 13 that a Final Dividend of 50 dollar cents per share be paid for the year ended December 31, 1937, making $1.50 for the year.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 25.

Stock prices on Wall Street today eased and finally closed with mostly losses of about 2 points, in one of the slowest sessions recorded in several years. President Roosevelt's message did not affect the market, but prices showed a tendency to wilt under the lightest pressure. Steels ruled heavy on bearish steel news, while motors were under pressure due to the irritating labour situation. The turnover today amounted to 400,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	116.66	115.40	116.23	—1.41
20 Rails	22.14	21.96	22.09	+0.02
20 Utilities	18.35	18.40	18.61	—0.20
40 Bonds	—	—	86.49	—0.14
11 Commod.	—	—	49.76	—0.65

	Apr. 23	25
Adams Express	8¾	8½
Allegheny Steel Co.	B 16½	B 15⅞
Allis Chalmers	42¾	42
Amer. Can	88¼	B 85
Amer. Cyanamid "B"	20¾	20¼
Amer. & For. Power	9⅜	9⅜
„ $7 pfd.	19½	B 18
Amer. Locomotive	18⅛	17⅜
Amer. Metals	32¾	31
Amer. Radiator	12¾	12⅜
Amer. Rolling Mill	17½	17¼
Amer. Smelting	39⅜	38¾
Amer. Sugar Refining	27½	B 26
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	128¾	128⅝
Amer. Tobacco "B"	71¾	69¾
Amer. Waterworks	8¾	8½
Anaconda Copper	29¼	28¾
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	27⅛	27¼
Atlas Corp.	7⅝	7⅜
Auburn	3⅜	B 3¼
Baltimore & Ohio	6	5¾
„ „ pfd.	7⅛	7
Barber Co.	17⅜	16⅝
Barnsdall Oil Co.	14⅜	13⅝
Bethleham Steel	49⅜	48¼
Boeing Airplane Co.	27⅝	27⅜
Borden Co.	16½	16½
Borg Warner	22¾	22
Briggs Manufacturing Co.	19⅜	19
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	7⅜	7⅜
„ „ $6 cum. pfd.	B 21⅜	B 20½
Case, J.I.	79	75
Can. Pacific Rly.	6¾	6⅝
Celanese Corp.	14¼	14
Cerro de Pasco	36⅜	34¾
Chase Nat. Bank	B 30⅞	B 30⅝
Chesapeake Corp.	B 30	B 30
Chesapeake & Ohio	26⅞	26¼
Chrysler	45	44⅜
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6½	6⅜
„ „ "A" pfd.	61	B 60½
Comi. Credit	32	31½
Coml. Solvents	7	7
Comn. & Southern (ord.)	1½	1½
„ $6 cum. pfd.	B 33½	33⅜
Consolid. Edison	22⅝	22¼
Consolid. Oil	9¼	9¼
Continental Can	40¼	39
Continental Oil	29	27¾
Corn Products	64½	63⅞
Curtis Wright (com.)	4⅞	4¼
„ „ "A"	18⅜	18½
Delaware & Hudson	10	B 9
Delaware, Lackawanna	5¾	5¾
Deere Co.	20½	20⅜
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	13⅝	13⅛
Douglas Aircraft	42⅞	42⅜
Du Pont de Nemours	102⅜	101⅜
Eagle Picher Lead	9¾	9¼
Elec. Boat Co.	8⅝	8¾
Elec. Bond & Sh.	7⅜	7
„ „ $5 pfd.	44¾	B 42½
„ „ $6 pfd.	48½	47
Elec. Power & Lt.	9	9
„ „ 7% pfd.	31½	30½
Flintkote Co.	16¼	15⅝
Freeport Sulphur	26¼	25½
Gen. Amer. Trans.	35	35
Gen. Cigar	B 22	B 22
Gen. Electric	35⅜	35
Gen. Foods	26⅝	26¾
Gen. Motors	32⅝	31¾
Gen. Rly. Signal	18	18⅜
Glidden Co.	19¾	19
Goodrich (B.F.)	14¾	14½
„ „ $5 pfd.	B 42	B 42½
Goodyear Tire & R.	19¾	19⅝
Greyhound Corp.	9¾	9⅜
Great Nthrn. Rly., pfd.	15⅝	15½
Great Western Sugar	28½	28
Hecker Prods.	6¼	6½
Humble Oil	69	68½
Int. Nickel	47¾	47
Int. Tel. & Tel. (For. Is.)	8⅞	8⅝
Interstate Department Stores	8⅝	B 8⅝
Kennecott	35¼	34¾
Lambert Co.	11	11
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	30⅜	29
Lockheed Aircraft	8⅝	8⅝
Loew's Inc.	42	41½
Lorillard	B 15⅞	15⅞
McKesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	33¼	33
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	21¾	21⅞
Monsanto Chemical	73	70⅞
Montgomery Ward	32¾	32
Nat. Bond & Investment	B 13	B 13⅛
National Cash Register	16½	16½
Nat. City Bank	B 24¾	B 30⅝
Nat. Dairy Prods.	13¼	13⅜
Nat. Distillers	19⅜	19
Nat. Power & Lt.	7	7
Nat. Supply Co.	18½	18
New York Central	12½	12½
Niagara Hudson, Power Corp.	7¼	7
North American Aviation	9	8⅞
North American	18½	18
Northern Pacific	8¼	8¼
Pacific Gas & Electric	26⅛	26
Pacific Lighting	35½	35
Packard Motors	4⅛	4⅛
Paramount Pictures Inc.	7¼	7⅛
„ „ 1st pfd.	B 80	B 80
Pennsylvania R.R.	16½	16¼
Phillips Petroleum	35⅝	34¼
Public Serv. of N.J.	29¼	35
Pure Oil	11¼	10¾
„ 5% conv. pfd.	B 77¼	B 77
Radio Corp. of Amer.	6½	6¼
Republic Steel Co.	14⅝	14
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	38½	37⅝
Schenley	19½	19¼
„ 5½% pfd.	B 73½	74
Sears Roebuck	58½	58½
Shell Union Oil	14	13¾
Socony-Vacuum	13⅞	13¼
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	B 21¾	21¾
Sthrn. Pacific	12⅛	12
Southern Railway	7½	7⅜
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	11⅜	11¼
Stand. Brands	7½	7¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3¾	3½
„ „ $7 pfd.	19¾	19
Stand. Oil of N.J.	48⅞	47⅞
Sterling Prods.	59¾	B 58¾
Studebaker	5¼	5¼
Swift International	B 25⅛	24¾
Technicolor	19½	20
Texas Corporation	39⅞	39¾
Texas Gulf Sulphur	B 30⅝	29⅝
Tide Water Associated Oil	B 13⅜	13⅞
Transamerica (new)	16¼	16⅛
Twentieth-Cen. Fox Film	22	21⅜
„ „ pfd.	B 29	B 29
Un Carbide & Carbon	68⅜	67
Un. Pacific	B 64	63
Un. Aircraft. (new)	26½	26¼
Un. Airline Trans.	7¾	7⅜
Un. Corp.	2⅞	2¾
„ „ $3 pfd.	27⅞	27¾
Un. Gas Corp.	3⅞	3⅜
Un. Gas Improvement	9⅞	9⅞
United Light, Power Co. "A"	2⅝	2⅛
U.S. Indus. Alcohol	16¾	16¾
U.S. Rubber	28	27¼
„ „ 8% non-cum. pfd.	71	70¼
U.S. Smelt., R. & M., com.	56	B 56
U.S. Steel (no par)	46	45
Vanadium	16⅜	15¾
Warner Bros. Picts.	5½	5⅛
Westinghouse Electric.	77	76
Woodward Iron	14¾	13½
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	33	32½

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power 5s	50	49
Brazil (U.S. of) 6½% 1957	14	13¾
Chic. Mil. Stp. & Pac. 5%	8⅞	8¼
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt. "A"	57	56¾
Int. Tel. & Tel. Conv. 4½s	87	87
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s 1955	61¼	60¾
New England Gas & Elec. 5s	52	51
Peru 6s 1961	9	8⅝
Stand. Gas & Elec. 6s 1951	49¼	48¼

B—Bid *—Ex Div.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

On the Stock Exchange today, traders showed a tendency to temporise, pending President Roosevelt's monopoly message which is anticipated to be delivered on Friday. The Street saw nothing new in the Tax Message, but was pleased with the fact that the Chief Executive did not mention the Tax Bill. Experts said there was nothing in routine news which affected prices. The magazine "Steel" places steel mill activity at 32½ per cent. of capacity. Retail display and advertising have declined, while shipments for new orders of lumber show an advance. The N.I.C.B. reported a levelling-off of the decline, but saw few definite indications of a recovery.

Gold for New York

New York, Apr. 25.

Gold to the value of $4,350,000 has been engaged from Japan for shipment to New York.—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 25.

The cotton market early declined with Liverpool and Bombay cables, foreign selling, active May liquidation and the weakness of other growths. Later, the market partially rallied on Liverpool buying on differences and New Orleans and local buying. Finally, the market closed barely steady on increased selling, with quotations ranging from 9 to 11 points down.

Prices in the rubber market weakened with the decline in Singapore and London, speculative liquidation especially of May option and stoploss orders. Latterly, covering by the South and factory buying were steadying influences. At the last call-over, losses of 32 to 38 points were recorded.

Trading in the Chicago Wheat Pit today was dull and uneventful, with prices gradually declining on favourable weather, optimistic crop opinions in the south-west, helpful rains in Australia and a scant international demand, which brought out May liquidation and professional selling. At the final bell, losses of 1¼ to 1½ cents were registered.

The sugar market early eased on commission house and foreign selling, liquidation and hedging, due to easier London cables. The trade are awaiting developments from the meeting of the International Council. At the close, quotations were from 1½ to 2½ points down.

The easiness of Wall Street and the quietness of the spot market tended to discourage the extension of commitments on the silk market today, and activity was chiefly confined to evening-up operations of April option. The market, however, closed relatively steady. Final quotations were from 1 to 1½ cents down.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	8.79-79 —09	Mar.	9.07-07 —09
July	8.87-88 —09	May	12.27-27 —36
Oct.	8.95-95 —09	July	12.41B-43A —38
Dec.	8.97-98 —10	Sept.	12.60B-61A—35
Jan.	8.99-99 —11	Dec.	12.84-84 —32

New York Sugar No. 4	New York Silk
Sept. 0.96B-97A —2	May 1.51B-51½A —1

Chicago Wheat	Chicago Corn
May 82⅛-82¼ —1½	May 53⅞-59 —⅜
July 80⅝-80¾ —¼	July 60½-60⅝ —½

Winnipeg Wheat	Montreal Silver
May 121⅛-121⅛ —1	May 42.15-3.00 +29
July 110⅞-110⅞—1½	B/A

A—Asked B—Bid.—Reuter.

United States Trade

Washington, Apr. 25.

The Department of Commerce announced today that exports for the first three months of 1938 amounted to U.S.$827,781,000, an increase of U.S.$115,426,000 above the sum for the corresponding period in 1937.

Imports for the first three months of this year totalled U.S.$507,044,000, a decrease of U.S.$318,582,000 compared to the 1937 figures.

A favourable balance of U.S.$320,737,000 was returned as compared with an unfavourable balance of U.S.$113,271,000 last year.

Exports from the United States during March amounted to U.S.$275,711,000, an increase of five per cent. above the figures for February, 1938, and seven per cent. above the sum for March, 1937.

Imports during March amounted to U.S.$173,405,000, six per cent. above the February sum but 44 per cent. below the figure returned in March, 1937.—United Press.

Paris Bourse Expectant

Paris, Apr. 25.

Still awaiting full information on the financial projects of the Government, the Bourse today remained expectant. The opening was calm and very strong. During the sitting, after the decline of the sterling, the market became animated and National shares registered appreciable gains as a result of heavy buying. However, foreign shares were hesitant. The market remained in an effervescent state right to closing-time, when French stocks were at the best levels while Internationals were offered in large quantities, chiefly gold shares and Royal Dutch.—Havas.

British Rubber Stocks

London, Apr. 25.

Stocks of rubber in Great Britain on April 23 were estimated at 80,943 tons, showing an increase of 2,198 tons over the previous week.

The stock of rubber in London on April 23 totalled 53,498 tons, showing an increase of 1,499 tons, while the stock at Liverpool was listed at 27,445 tons, representing an increase of 699 tons.

British rubber deliveries during the week ended April 23 totalled 1,231 tons, compared with 1,296 tons during the previous week.

Deliveries in London during this period totalled 917 tons, compared with 645 tons during the previous week—an increase of 272 tons.

Liverpool deliveries, with a total of 364 tons, revealed a decrease of 287 tons from the previous week.—Reuter.

Federal Reserve System

New York, Apr. 25.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended Apr. 20 respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveal an increase of total loans amounting to $18,000,000 compared with the previous week, but a decrease of $817,000,000 from the corresponding period of last year.

Investments show a decrease of $2,000,000 from last week and of $642,000,000 from the corresponding period of last year.

Total loans during the period under review amounted to $8,585,000,000; and investments $12,224,000,000.—Reuter.

U.S. Steel Mill Operations

New York, Apr. 25.

Steel mill activity in the United States for the week ended April 23 was placed at 32.0 per cent. of capacity, according to the weekly report of the American Iron and Steel Institute, published today.

This compares with 32.4 per cent. of capacity last week and 92.3 per cent. of capacity for the corresponding period of last year, showing decreases of 0.4 per cent. of capacity and 60.3 per cent. of capacity respectively, compared with the figure for the week under review.—Reuter.

French Nat. Recovery

London, Apr. 25.

The French Government's programme of national recovery impressed the City favourably today as the Franc rose on the market from 166.25 to the pound sterling this morning, to 160.62 at 5 o'clock this afternoon.—Havas.

Reichsmark Quotations

Berlin, Apr. 26.

The following were today's Reichsmark quotations: New York 40.235, Paris 1345, Amsterdam 72.24 to 72.28, London 12.402.

Paris quoted sterling at 165.75 to 166.00 and the U.S. dollar at 33.15 to 33.19.—Trans-Ocean.

C.C.C. Note Issue

Washington, Apr. 25.

The United States Treasury today offered $200,000,000 worth of Commodity Credit Corporation notes, bearing interest at ¾ per cent.

The notes will mature on November 2, 1939.—Reuter.

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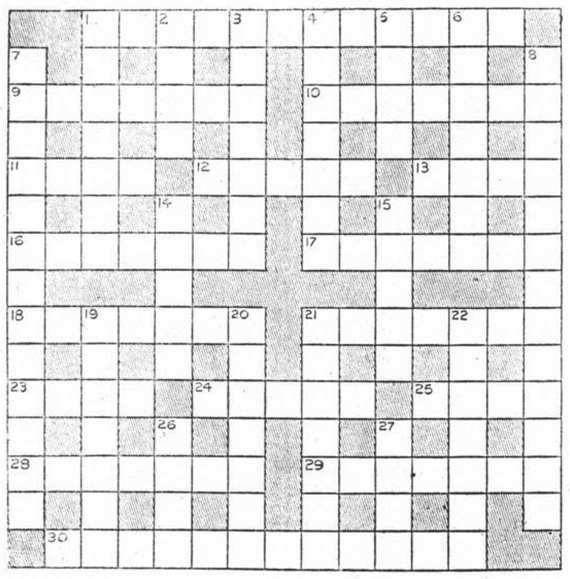

ACROSS

1 American visitors to London enjoy this part of a submarine
9 The god of the final air
10 A language
11 A man often tears up this in a hurry
12 If this beheaded were this it would be a chestnut
13 This form of life is rather rough
16 Musical farewell to a vessel
17 He does not play to live, but lives to play
18 Debate
21 Colour receptacle used on washing day (two words)
23 One comes after this
24 The crew of this vessel are at home in a blow
25 A correction of a correction
28 The Eastern change is serious
29 He has set traps that have let many people down
30 "No sure prices" (anag.)

DOWN

1 If this leader lost his appropriate part he would be a murderer
2 This is indispensible in an announcer
3 A hindrance to getting things going
4 What animal is like a stream in part of India?
5 Displace
6 This structure might be an Eskimo one the latter part were used to make it
7 Epithet for a novel situation
8 A decomposed goat in burying causes enquiry
14 The shopper who gets more than this gets a bargain
15 Not very definite, and mostly a shaky business
19 Punish
20 What the Arabs are is apparently not all pain
21 Heathen deity sounds like a tip straight from the horses' mouths
22 If this cricketer lost heart he would become a servant
26 This tells you where to write the solution
27 This is mixed in 8 down

New Pontine Marshes Community Founded

Il Duce Inaugurates Town of Pometia

Rome, Apr 26.

The foundation of the fifth and last Pontine civic community to be known as Pometia, situated only 25 kilometres from Rome on one of the ranges of hills that command a magnificent view of the whole surrounding country, was formally performed yesterday afternoon by Signor Benito Mussolini.

The new town is intended to provide homes for about 5,000 inhabitants. Mussolini arrived by car on the site of Pometia towards 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Accompanying him were numerous Ministers and Generals, among them Marshal Rodolfo Graziani.

About 20,000 persons, mostly peasants from Agro Pontini, and many young girls in their variegated national costumes carrying bunches of flowers, gave Il Duce a rousing welcome. Among the inscriptions painted on calico and drawn across the streets was one: "Duce, you have presented us with a town, we present you with our hearts."

Sig. Mussolini gave a short characteristic address, declaring that deeds meant more than words. After the ceremony, Il Duce remained for some time among the country population, watching games and sports the inhabitants of the new community had arranged for the diversion of the guests.—Trans-Ocean.

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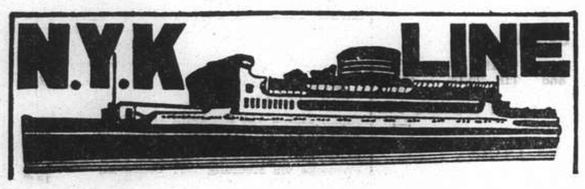

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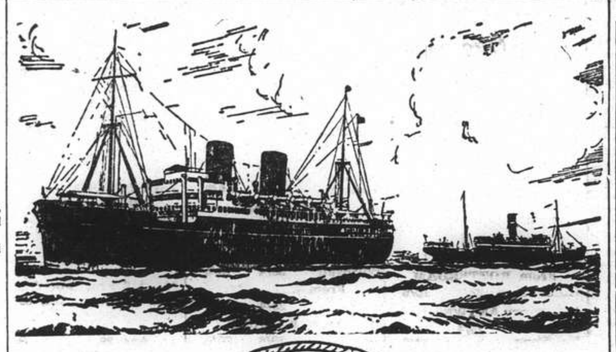

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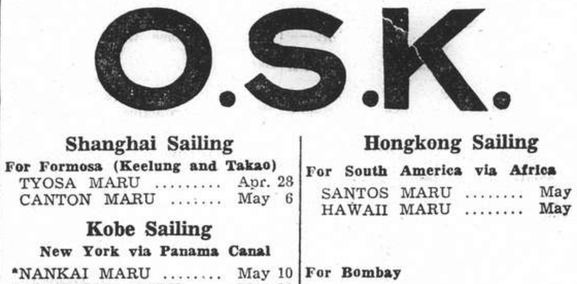

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CHINESE lady, English speaking wishes to give lessons in Mandarin or Shanghai dialect. Address Box 2425, N.C.D.N. -4814

Personal

GENTLEMAN, medium standard tennis, desires join private Chinese or foreign tennis club/court (preferably grass). Vicinity St. George's Jessfield. Address Box 2457, N.C.D.N. -4873

REFINED European lady of 32 who has travelled through Europe and has been married before, therefore presentable at home and in society, would like to meet gentleman who cares for a lady with kind character and good education. View friendship or matrimony. Address Box 2448, N.C.D.N. -4854

Business Opportunities

OLD-established foreign firm of good standing interested in taking up agencies of firms intending to close local offices. Details in confidence to Box 2432, N.C.D.N. -4824

EUROPEAN reputable export-import house in Japan, with best connections all over the world, invites those who are interested in Japan trade or any co-operation on similar basis on China markets. Address Box 2450, N.C.D.N. -4857

TIENTSIN produce. Foreign expert of 40 years standing wishes to represent Shanghai firms for the purchase of: egg-products, hemp, juts, cotton, bristles, horsehair, goathair, camelhair, goatswool, sheepswool, hides, goatskins, sheepskins, goatrugs, dressed goatskins, apricot kernels, ground-nuts, seeds, carpets, ephedra. Well-versed in office work, corresponding, cabling, etc. First-class reference. Please address Box 2433, N.C.D.N. 14202

BRITISH merchant leaving for Manila early in May is prepared to transact business for Shanghai clients. Reply Post Office Box 1995. 14200

ADVERTISER willing to buy running business showing good returns, at reasonable price. Address Box 2437, N.C.D.N. -4833

Office Cars

WANTED by lady, lift, three times daily from West End Gardens to Soochow Road. Address Box 2440, N.C.D.N. -4841

For Sale--Miscellaneous

CHEAP, very good, modern dining room suite (Arts & Crafts). On view 1321 Rue Lafayette. Telephone 74189, between 3—4 p.m. -4829

ALEXANDROFF, Russian/English dictionary, sold at $10 only instead of $17. 2 Route Grouchy, Apartment 2, Telephone 71988. -4826

FOR SALE. Moutrie Baby Grand piano. $600 in excellent condition. Box 2443, N.C.D.N. -4829

FOR SALE, excellent electrical fittings for 5-roomed flat with 2 bathrooms, kitchen, pantry. Telephone 76334. 14196

FOR SALE, Underwood Standard typewriter $175, also some desks etc. Room 314 Way-Foong House. Telephone 12240. -4939

NEW Tuscany lace mats 18 cents, runners 52 cents. Square covers $1.10; 54 inch covers $2.55. Bed spreads $5.50. All other sizes to match. Lace and Linen Syndicate, 114 Peking Road. Time 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. except Sundays. 14192

FOR SALE, second-hand steel office furniture, desks, chairs, safe etc. Inspect: 2nd. floor, 668 Szechuen Road. -4727

TELEFUNKEN Allwave receiver, Ford Coupe 4 cyl., Foreign made dining-sitting room. Telephone 18174 extension 2 during office hours. -4745

FOR SALE, refrigerator spare parts, a.c. and d.c. motors, tools, best American makes, reasonable prices. Apply to Post Office Box 633. 14074

PROTECT the value of your dollars by buying diamonds, gold, platinum, etc. at I. Ilitovich, Jeweller and Watchmaker. 867 Avenue Joffre. Lowest prices, best service. -4843

RAINCOATS, capes, sports jackets and leathercoats made from best English materials, large stock and made to order. 795 Bubbling Well Road, Branch 683 Avenue Joffre. British Manufacturing Co. 13852

YORKSHIRE-STYLE cured boneless ham, each 12 lbs., 90 cents, lb. Breakfast bacon, each 8 lbs. 80 cents lb. Free Shanghai. Excellent quality, from European pigs. Mail orders accepted. Martin Krogh, Tsingtao. Post Office Box 201. 13720

TIES, pure silk, uncrushable; designs, colourings to suit all tastes, $3.50. Just received. Razon's, 12 Central Road. -3840

WALL-Paper, 200 modern designs at wholesale prices. 133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, Room 614, Telephone 16181. 13612

BEAUTIFUL furniture, sitting, dining, bedrooms, study. House (French Concession) of exceptional cleap rental may be taken over. Telephone 73401 forenoons. 14181

SHIRTS, Made to measure, new designs. Wemco, $4.50; Duro, $5; Striped Silk, $9. Razon's, 12 Central Road. -3839

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WANTED, economical car for cash, £56 sterling. Must be in first-rate condition. Box 2449, N.C.D.N. -4856

CHEVROLET, Master de luxe sedan 1934, perfect throughout. $1,600 or nearest. Telephone 75661, tiffin hours. -4846

CASH offered by private party for 1933/4 medium-sized sedan in good condition. State particulars, lowest price. Box 2438, N.C.D.N. -4836

FOR SALE, 1934 10/4 Hillman Minx just reduced and in excellent condition, $1,550 cash or nearest offer. Owner buying larger car. Telephone 11215. -4972

CITROEN, 4 cylinders, in very good condition, to be sold for cash. Telephone 32590. -4964

1933 Oldsmobile 8-cylinder coupe, guaranteed in perfect condition, only owner-driven, $2,000. Telephone 75050 between 1-2 p.m. -4834

1934 Plymouth convertible coupe, recently reduced. Telephone 70533, between 1 to 2 p.m. or 8 to 9 p.m. -4785

WE offer cash for used cars and trucks. Apply Jenny's Motors, 177 Amiral Courbet, Telephone 73165. -4508

OWNER selling smart, four cylinders, seven seats, handsome, speedy, economical, $1,200 cash Telephone office hours 15028. -4613

FORD V-8 sedan 60 h.p. Gull grey, showroom condition, used only five months, Price $3,600, no dealers. Telephone Office 15750; home 75543. 14179

FOR SALE, Fiat 514, 4-door sedan, from original owner, foreigner, self-driven, thoroughly overhauled. Excellent condition. $900. Reply Box 2409, N.C.D.N. -4778

Boats

FOR SALE. Cabin launch. Powerful Buick engine; newly overhauled, suitable for rough shooting or haulage. Sleeps three; lavatory and kitchen; good deck space. $750. Address Box 2454, N.C.D.N. -4666

Wanted to Purchase

WE purchase all kinds of high-class furniture. Carpets, piano, typewriter, radio and useful household effects at a fair price. For further particulars apply to the Chesterfield Art Second-hand Goods Store, 1469 Bubbling Well Road. Telephone 36334. -4530

WANTED, hydraulic dental chair with cuspidor and running water attachment, price must be reasonable, and in good condition. Address Box 2340, N.C.D.N. -4697

WANTED, second-hand Bell & Howell, 8 mm. projector. State model and price to Box 2406, N.C.D.N. -4773

WANTED, Leica camera, recent model, in good condition. Cash payment. Telephone 15126. -4607

WANTED one Peterson code book, third edition. Must be in good condition. Address price to Sun Lee & Company, 40 Ningpo Road. -4504

Animals

WANTED, bull-terrier dog, not over 6 months. Address Box 2439, N.C.D.N. -4839

GOOD home required for young Alsatian bitch. Found small Spitz dog. Apply S.S.P.C.A. Telephone 36536. 14177

$50 will purchase beautiful springer cocker bitch. Healthy, 18 months. Parents imported. Good home most essential. Address Box 2403, N.C.D.N. -4769

FOR SALE, pedigreed wire-haired terrier puppies. Exceptionally fine litter, strong, healthy and well marked. Sire and dam from championship strain. For particulars address Box 2427, N.C.D.N.

Summer Resorts

TSINGTAO, Pension Victoria, First Kinkow Road 9. Single/double rooms/flats, hot/cold water. Steam-heating. Beautiful view. Excellent food. Near tennis court. Shanghai Telephone 36622, 10-11. 13936

TSINGTAO, German Beach, Iltis-Huk, Laoshan: We have a number of houses for rent and sale, and we invite those who wish to rent furnished or unfurnished or to sell or to buy, to apply to us. Tsingtao Carpet Factory, A. Boerter, Manager, 33 Kuangsi Road, Post Office Box 211. 14194

Lost

LOST. 3 Sub-Bills of Lading of Wilh. Wilhemsen No. 2 for O 3070 O C Shanghai 28 bales of thin unglazed mech newsprinting paper No. 50/1 and No. 50/2 for O 3057 O C Shanghai 60 reels and 26 reels respectively of unglazed newsprinting paper ex s.s. "Taronga," were lost, and are hereby declared null and void. Banque de l'Indochine. 14204

LOST, Town Express Customs Jetty Pass No. 62. Declared null and void. -4723

STOLEN. One small calculating machine, Monroe; one portable typewriter, Hermes Baby, No. 1, 18500, with leather case. Persons are requested to refrain from buying same. Reward offered for any information leading to discovery. Box 2429, N.C.D.N. 14183

Radios

1937 R.C.A. 10 metal tubes, all-wave radio-gramophone combination, $490. Telephone 75897. -4867

FOR radio repair, call International Radio Service. Telephone 75897. 9 Cardinal Mercier. -4868

ONE Patterson radio, all-wave and gramophone. Price $300. Further particulars address Box 2452. N.C.D.N. -4861

FOR skilled workmanship call 32392 American Radio Repair, 1549 Bubbling Well Road. -3760

Miscellaneous

YOU can read 14 magazines, latest issues, such as Esquire, Cosmopolitan, Good Housekeeping, Readers Digest, Photoplay, Britannia Eve, Windsor, Strand, etc. for $2 monthly, delivered any address. Telephone 83288 for list. The Home Magazine Library. 13761

CARPETS cleaned chemically, 7 cents square foot. Rugs repaired, insured and stored. Esso Company, Telephone 12170. -4249

House Servants

BRITON recommends northern houseboy, reliable, clean and honest. Reply Box 2458, N.C.D.N. or telephone 20244. -4974

GOOD cook or cook-boy available immediately, well-recommended. Telephone 38603 or write Box 2460, N.C.D.N. -4679

ENGLISH lady recommends No. 1 cook-boy, with her for 9 years, clean and honest, speaks good English. Telephone 19008. -4870

EXCELLENT cook-boy, American and English, recommended by foreigner. Telephone 76385. -4843

FOREIGN lady recommends experienced baby-amah, clean, hardworking, polite. Telephone 72277, Mrs. Lacourt. -4852

GOOD cook-boy, quiet habits, good cook, clean and honest servant, seeks position. Recommended. Box 2456, N.C.D.N. -4871

EXCELLENT cook-boy, speaking very well English, has been in American family many years, hardworking, diligent, honest. Best recommendations. Address Box 2453, N.C.D.N. -4865

FOREIGN family leaving Shanghai, recommends excellent all-round amah. Available May first. Address Box 2436, N.C.D.N. -4932

HIGHLY recommended cook-boy available. Has been 11 years with American family. Excellent cook. Clean and honest. Call Room 100, Telephone 70137. 14195

AS amah, young Chinese girl, 16 years, strong, clean and of good character, willing, good disposition, has had three months previous experience in foreign house working cleaning, dusting, washing clothes. Advertiser willing to assume responsibility for three months wages providing genuine job offered. Replies Box 2442, N.C.D.N. -4943

73148 CENTRAL Employment Agency (British). 2,000 satisfied international customers. Picked cook-boys, baby-amahs, cook-amahs, house-amahs, wash-amahs, chauffeurs, watchmen, stenographers. -4650

AVAILABLE now, good cook-boy, has been in English family 7 years. Best references. Box 2404, N.C.D.N. -4766

BABY-amah available. Old type, thoroughly reliable and kind with children. Please telephone Mrs. Groll 74867, tiffin hours. -4809

EXCELLENT cook-boy and hardworking coolie desire position. Both are faithful, polite in serving. Highly recommended. Address Box 2419, N.C.D.N. -4796

72782 Telephone. Reliable cooks, boys, amahs, chauffeurs, etc. Foreign management. General Employment Agency, 1272 Avenue Joffre. -4919

THOROUGHLY reliable cook-boy. Recommended by foreigner. Telephone 75898. -4911

COOK-boy and coolie-amah, seek position. Can do anything. Wages $35 both. Address Box 2310, N.C.D.N. -4576

Dancing

FOREIGN lady, highly experienced teacher of ballroom dancing, gives private lessons. Satisfaction guaranteed. 1272 Avenue Joffre. -4562

Beauty Culture, etc.

Advertisements under this heading are carefully scrutinized before acceptance, and though no guarantee can be given readers may be reasonably assured of their bona fides.

BUFFALO San (Massage). Passage 172, House 13, Quinsan Road, Telephone 45300. -4512

LADY gives general massage, pedicure, from 11-8, 304 Kiangse Road, First Floor. -4602

1205 Bubbling Well Road, Apartment 15. Massage. -4493

LADY gives general massage, manicure, 10-7 p.m. 205 Peking Road. Apartment 30, Second Floor. 13681

464 RUE Bourgeat, Flat 4. Lady gives medical, electric massage and pedicure. Opposite French Club. -4919

Rooms Without Board

ROOM to let, all modern conveniences, board optional. Apply 314 Hardoon Road, House 3, Apartment 12. -4963

LARGE, well-furnished, south room, in modern apartment, conveniently located buses/trams. Apply 163 Route Grouchy, Apartment 14. -4877

NICE, furnished, steamheated, south room, with verandah. Modern conveniences. Board optional. Telephone 36105. -4852

FURNISHED, south bedroom, verandah, breakfast optional. Telephone 72693, Savoy Apartment 11. -4837

ROOMS with/without separate bath, central heating, telephone. Garage available. 8 Kelmscott Gardens. View 9-7 p.m. -4862

WELL-furnished bright rooms, with balconies, for bachelors only $25, $30. 144 Route de Grouchy. -4847

FOR RENT, single-room in nicely furnished flat. All conveniences. Foreigners only. Telephone 83278 after 6 p.m. -4869

LARGE, nicely furnished south room, attached bathroom. Best part of French Concession. Telephone 74111. -4876

$30. Vacant in quiet family, furnished attic room overlooking garden. Seymour Road. Telephone 31250. -4890

PRIVATE family offers furnished room for single gentleman, private bath, steamheating, telephone, 1809 Avenue Joffre, opposite I.S.S. -4844

LARGE furnished room, modern conveniences, balcony, lift, frigidaire. Board optional. 150 Sœurs, corner Joffre. Apartment 2. -4692

COSY rooms, monthly/weekly basis. Also daily terms for transient guests. $3 per day. Telephone 74982. -4760

$45, large, south room, all conveniences. Telephone 74653, 421 Roi Albert, Intersavin Apartment 1A. -4756

FURNISHED room, private bath, modern conveniences, without board, frigidaire. Dubail Apartments, Apartment 106, Telephone 84643. -4789

Rooms with Board

LARGE, bed-sitting room, furnished, facing south, to let May 1, single person. 990 Bubbling Well Road. Telephone 33644. -4895

WESTERN district. Private detached residence, lovely garden. Flat of two/three rooms, together or separately. Convenient for family, married couple or single gentleman. References exchanged. Telephone 21930. -4940

NORFOLK House, Terrace 20, House 8, Seymour Road. One south room, with all modern conveniences, food under English supervision. -4905

ASCOT Apartment 204, 587 Bubbling Well Road, a well-furnished and attractive room, reasonable rent, excellent food. 14209

AVONDALE House. Attractive, bright, large room, private bathroom, excellent board, tennis court. Lane 1220/1 Avenue Road. -4694

IN quiet family, nice single room, bathroom, verandah, garden. Yu Yuen Road, near St. George's. Telephone 21769. 14044

4 Bedford Terrace, 186 Roi Albert. South room, verandah. Also small room. Mrs. Youngs. -4989

THE Gardens, Guest House, 90 Route des Soeurs. Board-residence in attractive and comfortable home. Large garden, excellent cuisine. Well-appointed rooms with private bathroom. -4760

AVENUE Hall, single and double rooms, good cooking. Supervised by Mrs. C. Falkenstein. 1434 Avenue Road, Telephone 30244. -4767

BEVERLEY House, 30 Route Boissezon, Sunny rooms with verandah. $125 up. Private baths. Large garden. Excellent food. Telephone 70787. 14167

MIDWAY Lodge, 215/24 Medhurst Road. Attractive double room with private bath available. Also single room. Quiet location. Telephone 33278. Mrs. Thompson. -4731

THE Towers, 1182 Avenue Road. Comfortable single/double rooms, private bathrooms, garden, tennis court, excellent food. Telephone 35534. -4900

Furnished Houses

IDEAL house for three bachelors, standing in its own grounds, for lease. Three bedrooms, two dressing rooms, two bathrooms, large reception-dining, western district, fully-screened and furnished. Good servants available. Reasonable rent for long lease. Address Box 2451. N.C.D.N. 14208

Offices, Shops, Godowns

ROOMY office space available, 25 Rue du Consulat. Monthly rental $275. Occupancy immediate. Apply Netherlands Consulate-General. 14210

TO LET, large and small modern office space in the Chartered Bank Building, 18 The Bund. Space arranged to suit tenants' requirements. Apply Eric Davies, Room 214, Chartered Bank Building. Telephone 15874. 13614

DESIRABLE offices to let, National City Bank Building, Kiukiang Road. Apply Eric Davies, Room 214, 18 The Bund. 13696

TO LET large and small modern office space in 190 Peking Road. Apply D. E. J. Abraham, 83 Peking Road. Telephone 16722. 13619

TO LET, suite of offices on 1st floor, corner Canton and Szechuen Roads. Apply Mackenzie & Company Ltd. Telephone 18354. 13621

OFFICE space to let, ground floor, Arnhold Building, approximately 5,000 square feet. For information please apply to Cathay Land Co., Telephone 11430. 13618

Wanted to Rent

A HOUSE with spacious hall, in the Settlement. Vicinity Avenue Foch/Bubbling Well. Box 2441, N.C.D.N. -4842

SMALL furnished house or flat, Tunsin/Columbia Road district, required by two bachelors. Box 2434, N.C.D.N. -4827

WANTED by responsible foreigner, small, furnished house for one year or longer, from end June. Must be in quiet locality and have garden. Box 2431, N.C.D.N. -4823

WANTED to rent, for three years or more, unfurnished house with garden. Box 2405, N.C.D.N. -4772

GENTLEMAN seeks full board with private family in western district for summer months. Airy south room with bath and verandah. Address with particulars Box 2423, N.C.D.N. -4808

Vessels Arriving

Due at Future Dates

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From OSLO
Tai Yang 22/4 12/6

From GLASGOW
Ajax 23/4 8/6

From LIVERPOOL
Memnon 2/4 11/5
Diomed 9/4 20/5
Agapenor 23/4 4/6

From HAMBURG
Scharnhorst 7/5 12/6

From ROTTERDAM
Kulmerland 22/4 10/6

From ANTWERP
Alier 26/4 9/6
Tai Yang 26/4 12/6

From LONDON
Ranchi 22/4 29/5

From MARSEILLES
Felix Roussel 1/4 29/4
Antenor 21/4 23/5

From NAPLES
C. B'camano 21/4 16/5

From PORT SAID
Gaasterkerk 13/4 14/5
Gneisenau 24/4 15/5

From SUEZ
Preussen 16/4 22/5
Antilochus 26/4 25/5
Assuan 24/4 6/6

From ADEN
Carthage 24/4 15/5

From BOMBAY
C. Verde 20/4 2/5
Burdwan 26/4 16/5

From COLOMBO
Tirranna 25/4 3/5

From KARACHI
Arabia 19/4 20/5

From SINGAPORE
Chitral 23/4 1/5
Ramses 24/4 7/5
Frankfurt 25/4 6/5

From SOURABAYA
Tjisadane 16/4 2/5

From MANILA
Thur. Castle 22/4 2/5

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From VANCOUVER
Tyndareus 12/4 5/5

From SEATTLE
Ixion 25/4 28/5

From NEW YORK
Fairf'ld City — 30/4
Siam. Prince — 2/5
Silverwalnut — 9/5
Lossiebank 7/4 29/5
Steel Navigator — 30/5
C. Kimberley 16/4 14/6
Myrmidon 26/4 15/6

From HAMPTON ROADS
Grey. Castle 15/4 27/5

From LOS ANGELES
Toulouse 17/4 14/5
C. Derby 12/4 19/5

From NAGOYA
Behar 25/4 2/5

From KOBE
Sarpedon 26/4 30/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From DURBAN
Bontekoe 10/4 13/5

From RABAUL
Tanda 25/4 9/5

CHINA PORTS

From TIENTSIN
Kwaisang — 29/4
Taksang — 29/4
Luchow 23/4 30/4
Leesang — 1/5

From TONGKU
Shengking 27/4 1/5

From CHEFOO
Newchwang 23/4 27/4

From HONGKONG
Fooshing — 27/4
Tingsang — 27/4
Tsinan 22/4 27/4
C. Lyons 22/4 28/4
Patroclus 23/4 28/4
Kingyuan 24/4 29/4
Bellerophon 24/4 29/4
Mentor — 29/4
Tweedbank 27/4 30/4
Taiyuan 27/4 1/5
Shantung 1/5 5/5
Kiangsu 3/5 7/5

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

FOOSHING Apr. 28. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 28, at 12:30 p.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-4

TINGSANG Apr. 28. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 28, at noon. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-4

CHENGTU Apr. 30. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, April 30, at 11 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire. Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 30-4

INGEREN Apr. 30. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the steamer Ingeren, Captain Thorjussen on Saturday, April 30, 1938. For freight or passage, apply to The Agent: 30 Foochow Road, Tel. 11070. 30-4

PATROCLUS Apr. 30. 11,300 tons, for TAKU BAR, DAIREN, YOKOHAMA and KOBE.—For freight and passage apply Blue Funnel Line Agents, Butterfield & Swire, French Bund. Tel. 82020. 30-4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

SHENGKING May 3. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, May 3, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 3-5

SOUTH CHINA COAST

HSIN PEKING Apr. 28. NINGPO.—Leaves on Thursday, April 28, at 3 p.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020, (French Bund). 28-4

TSINAN Apr. 28. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, April 28, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 27-4

TJISAROEA Apr. 29. AMOY, HONGKONG, MUNTOK, BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SEMARANG and SOERABAIA.—The J.C.J.L. s.s. Tjisaroea sails from K.M.A. Wharf, Pootung on Friday, April 29, taking cargo to HONGKONG, JAVA and SOUTH AFRICA, the latter with transhipment at Batavia into mv. Tegelberg sailing from there on May 24. Excellent passenger accommodation. Passengers tender "Scot I" leaves Customs Jetty at 3 p.m. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. 16247 (4 Lines). 29-4

KINGYUAN May 1. SWATOW, HONGKONG, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, May 1, at noon. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 1-5

KWAISANG May 1. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, May 1. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 1-5

TAKSANG May 1. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, May 1. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. 1-5

JAPAN

CHITRAL May 2. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund, Tel. No. 11428. 2-5

STRAITS AND EUROPE

OLDENBURG Apr. 28. GENOA, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG.—(Captain Arfsten). For freight and passage please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Schanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 28-4

SARPEDON May 1. MARSEILLES, LONDON ROTTERDAM, GLASGOW (via Aden).—For freight and passages apply to Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 1-5

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CORFU May 10. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund, Tel. No. 11428. 10-5

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AMERICA

GRETE MAERSK May 2. PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, SAVANNAH and NORFOLK. LOS ANGELES and via PANAMA to NEW YORK, BOSTON,—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., Agents, Maersk Line, 210-214 Kiukiang Road, Tel. 15566. 2-5

AUSTRALASIA

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TAIPING May 17. (From Hongkong) MANILA, THURSDAY I., CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.—Australia-Oriental Line Ltd. Agents. Butterfield & Swire, French Bund. Tel. 82020. 17-4

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.

Date and Destination	Per	Reg.	Ord.
WEDNESDAY April 27.			
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.	*19.00	7.15
Wenchow	C. Paolini	10.30	11.00
Ningpo	Tembien	10.30	11.00
Wenchow	Don Pedro	11.00	11.30
Formosa via Keelung	Chosa M.	18.30	19.00
Amoy and Hongkong	Tsinan	19.00	19.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Nanning	19.00	19.00
THURSDAY, April 28.			
Amoy H'kong (Y) Aust. (Y) N.Z. (Y) Java Ports	Tjisaroea A	*19.00	7.15
Chefoo and Tientsin	Tingsang	9.00	9.30
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Fooshing	8.30	10.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	Fooshing	9.30	10.00
Tinghai Yungkia Wenchow	Hanna	9.30	10.00
Ningpo	Hsin Peking	11.30	12.00
H'kong C'ton Aust. N.Z.	Oldenburg BX	14.30	15.00
Manila Europe (Y)	Shinyo M. CX	—	—
Nanking (Z)			
FRIDAY, April 29.			
Amoy Swatow Hongkong	Newchwang	*19.00	7.30
Tsingtao and Dairen	Tsingtao M.	8.00	8.30
Ningpo	Mohlenhof	10.30	11.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Ingeren X	13.30	15.00
Chinwangtao	Ingeren X	14.30	15.00
Japan via Kobe	Mentor Y	18.30	19.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 16.00 on 27th.
B Parcel mail for Ceylon, Italy, Holland, German and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 28th.
C Parcel mail for Nanking, closes at 16.00 on 28th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcel only.

Mails for Europe

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin for transmission.
Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:
ss. Sarpedon, via Suez, April 30, due London. June 4.
ss. Empress of Canada, via Pacific, May 1, due London June 5.
ss. Conte Verde, via Suez, May 4, due London May 30.

Air Mails Abroad

Imperial Airways and Qantas (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Sarpedon, 7 p.m. on April 30, due Marseilles and London May 13.
Pan American Airways (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Sarpedon, 7 p.m. on April 30, due San Francisco May 10.
Netherlands (K.L.M.) Air Mail (Bandoeng-Amsterdam per ss. Sarpedon, 7 p.m. on April 30, due Amsterdam May 15, London May 16.
Air France (Saigon-Marseilles Line) per steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.
Air France (China-Hanoi-Marseilles Lines) per steamer to Hongkong for transmission via Canton.

Train Mail

Light mails for Nanking and Chinkiang close daily at 7.30 p.m.
Light mails for or via River Ports from Anking upwards per available steamer via Canton.
Light mails for or via T.P.R. (north of Tsinan) and North Pinghan per available steamer via Tientsin; for Kiaotsi Line and T.P.R. (south of Tsinan) per available steamer via Tsingtao.
Light mails for or via Lunghai Line and South Pinghan per available steamer via Canton.
Light mails for or via S.H.N.R. per available steamer via Yungkia.

Domestic Air Mail

For or via C.N.A.C. planes on Kiukiang-Hankow-Changsha-Chungking-Chengtu-Hongkong Lines sent to Hongkong for further transmission.
For or via Eurasia Aviation Corporation planes on Sian-Hongkong and Sian-Hanoi Lines sent to Hongkong for further transmission.

Vessels Discharging

D'ARTAGNAN From Marseilles via Ports arrived on April 23, and is discharging her cargo at Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for exchange of Delivery Orders and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees and claims against this steamer must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Thursday, April 28, 1938, at 9.30 a.m., at the Wharf by Messrs. Parker, Reilley & Co., No Insurance effected. Cie des Messageries Maritimes. 27-4

Furnished Apartments

DESIRABLE four-roomed apartment, two baths. Excellent address near American School. Fully-furnished. Available June 1. Particulars through Telephone 12635. -4870

TO LET, modern, steam-heated, two-roomed, attractively furnished apartment; bathroom, kitchen, verandah. Taxes, hot water, linen, china crockery, etc. Tifong Road. $120. Telephone 20666. 14205

TO LET. Four room apartment, two baths, all conveniences. Beautifully furnished. Furniture to be taken over. Astrid Apartment 8. Telephone 70698 or 70158. -4799

SAVOY Apartments. 133 Route Say Zoong, 4-roomed furnished apartment, available May 1. Apply Credit Foncier. Telephone 16366. 13476

FURNITURE of two-roomed flat in Embankment Building for sale; practically new; lease to be taken over, owner leaving Shanghai June first. Telephone 40701. -4707

WELL-appointed, 4-roomed flat, 2 bathrooms, all modern conveniences, 6th floor, Avenue Petain. 5-6 months from first May. Box 2154, N.C.D.N. -4706

MODERN residences with garden, arcola heating system, 9 rooms. 131 and 141 Great Western Road. Moderate rent. Apply Nanking Shanghai Building Construction Company, 47 Ningpo Road. -4431

STEAMHEATED, two-roomed flat, furnished. (Private residence). Bathroom, kitchen, all modern conveniences including telephone, light. 1298 Avenue Road. -4776

WELL-furnished, 1½-roomed flat with kitchenette and bath, including crockery etc., for sale. 6th Floor, French Concession. Rent $80. Address Box 2414, N.C.D.N. -4790

PICARDIE: 4-roomed apartment, 7th floor, with kitchen, bath, and two servants rooms to let. Really modern furniture for sale; also Ford V-8 car, used five months. Owner leaving. Telephone Office 15750; home 75543. 14178

TWO 2-roomed well-furnished flats with bath, kitchen box-rooms, garage, garden in French Concession. Suitable for bachelors or small family. Reasonable, to responsible party. Telephone 73401 forenoons. 14181

$100. Furnished, steam-heated, two-roomed flat. Cool, screened, south-facing, refrigerator. Lease. 1344 Yuyuen Road. Telephone 20835. 14194

TO LET to foreigners, five-roomed flat, Washington Apartment 66. All furnished. $250. Address Box 2235, N.C.D.N. -4688

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